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PROCEEDINGS 60th ANNUAL SESSION

The Avery County Baptist Association met on August 5, 1971 at the Newland Baptist Church for its annual meeting. Rev. E. O. Bustle, Associational Missionary conducted an election of an acting moderator in the absence of Robert Lindley, who was ill. By acclamation Rev. William Abel was elected.

Acting Moderator William Abel called the 60th annual Association to order. Mr. Kenneth Johnson led the audience in the hymn "Trust and Obey". Rev. Abel gave the morning devotion as was his previous assignment.

Motion was made and adopted that the Messengers of the Churches be seated for the purpose of doing business. The roll call of churches was given by John Hayes, Acting Clerk. Twenty-Eight Churches answered the roll call. There was no representative from Whaley and Yellow Mountain Churches.

A motion was made and seconded that the printed program be adopted. The following committees were appointed for the day:

RESOLUTION COMMITTEE: Mrs. S. W. Vance, Rev. Lloyd Hollman, Rev. Earl Carver, Jr.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Mrs. Bettie Hooks, Chairman; Rev. Carson Eggers, Vice Chairman; Mrs. Margaret Ollis, Secretary.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE: Dr. S. W. Vance, Chairman; Mrs. Johnnie McCoury, Secretary; Rev. Robert Lindley.

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER: Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, Chairman; Mrs. Bettie Hooks, Rev. Joe Puett.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT NEXT SESSION WERE AS FOLLOWS:

History. . . . . Mrs. Bob Banner
Christian Education. . . . . Rev. R. L. Painter
Temperance and Morals. . . . . .Rev. Richard Porter
Hospital. . . . . .Rev. William Abel
Cooperative Program. . . . . Rev. Lee Pittman
Christian Literature. . . . . .Mrs. Johnnie McCoury
Evangelism. . . . . .Rev. Lloyd Ramsey
Childrens Homes. . . . . .Rev. Joe Puett
Homes For Aging. . . . . Mr. Bruce Daniels
Obituaries. . . . . Mrs. J. C. Brown
Stewardship. . . . . Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill
Sunday School. . . . . .Rev. Alfred Jones
Church Training. . . . . .Mrs. Bettie Hooks
Music. . . . . Kenneth Johnson
Brotherhood. . . . . Rev. Robert Davis
W. M. U.. . . . . Mrs. E. O. Bustle

The officers for 1971-72 were elected as follows:

Moderator. . . . . .Rev. Robert Lindley
Vice Moderator. . . . . .Rev. William Abel
Clerk-Treasurer. . . . . .Mrs. Johnnie Shell

A recognition of the new pastors and associational workers was conducted by Rev. E. O. Bustle.

An offering for the expense of the Association was taken amounting to $33.18.

The report on "Homes for the Aging" was given by Mr. John Hayes. He introduced Dr. Bill Poole, who spoke to this report. It was adopted.

Rev. J. R. Puett gave the report on "Children's Homes". Mr. Hugh Starns, Superintendent of the Broyhill Home at Clyde spoke to this report. It was adopted.

"Hospital" Report was given by Dr. W. R. McGee, Superintendent of Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem. He spoke on the phasing out of the nursing program at Baptist Hospital and the reasons involved. The report was adopted.

The annual sermon was given by Rev. Richard Porter. The meeting was then adjourned for lunch. Lunch was served in the Fellowship Hall of the Church by the women.

The afternoon session opened with Devotions by Rev. Jerry Burleson.

Rev. Roby Painter gave the report on "Christian Education". Approved by the Association. Rev. Jerry Burleson, who is a student at Gardner Webb College, gave an oral report for that college.

The Vacation Bible School report was not given at the scheduled time.

Rev. Richard Porter gave the "Temperance and Morals" report.

The "Evangelism" report was given by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey. He spoke on "Characteristics of New Testament Evangelism".

J. Marse Grant, Editor of Biblical Recorder, gave the "Christian Literature" report. This report was adopted by the Association.

"The Cooperative Program" report was given by Luther Osmund, who is area Missions Director. The report was adopted.

"The N. C. Baptist Foundation" report was given by Gordon Maddrey.

The meeting was adjourned until August 6.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6, 1971

This session opened at Aaron Baptist Church at 6:00 o'clock P. M. The meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. Robert Lindley. The Devotion was led by Rev. Dean Bare.

"Church Training" Report was given by Bettie Hooks. This was adopted by the Association.

"W.M.U." report was given by Mrs. E. O. Bustle, Associational W.M.U. Director. Her report was adopted. Mrs. C. A. Bowlick gave a wonderful talk to this report.

Rev. E. O. Bustle, Associational Missionary gave a report on local and foreign missions. This report was adopted.

The "Stewardship" Report was given by Rev. Robert Lindley and adopted.

Mr. Kenneth Johnson gave a report on "Music". His report was adopted.

In absence of Mrs. Mary Estep and Mrs. Dottie Miller, the Vacation Bible School report was given by Rev. E. O. Bustle. It was adopted.

The Association stood to its feet to say "Thank you", to Mrs. Doris Shell for the fine job she has done for many years she has served as Clerk.

The Committee that was appointed last year to talk to Flat Springs reported that they had definitely withdrew fellowship. Motion was made that the Clerk notify Flat Springs that since they have withdrawn fellowship from the Avery Baptist Association that according to our by-laws, they are automatically dropped until such time they seek our fellowship. The motion was adopted.

Later it was known that the Clerk had recieved a letter from the Flat Springs Church stating that they wished to withdraw from the Southern Baptist Convention.

It was resolved that a letter be sent to our State Senators Jim Holshouser and Clyde Norton thanking them for their stand against "liquor by the drink" legislation; that a copy be sent to the Biblical Recorder and placed in the Avery Associational Minutes that the body of the Avery Association take the same stand.

The Obituaries were given by Mrs. Bob Banner.

The Resolutions Committee report was given by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey and was as follows:

"We as the Resolutions Committee of the Avery Baptist Association would like to express our appreciation to the Newland Baptist Church for allowing us to have our annual meeting there. We congratulate our Moderator on keeping

order, and we appreciate each report that was given. We thank the Women of the Church for the good lunch we enjoyed.

We also appreciate the Aaron Church for letting us meet there on Friday evening. We thank the women for the delicious refreshments."

Respectfully Submitted,
Lloyd Ramsey, Earl Carver and
Mrs. S. W. Vance

The report on Time, Place and Preacher was given by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey. Time: August 3 and 4, 1972. Place: First day - Belview Baptist Church; Second day - Beech Mountain. Preacher: Aug. 3 - Rev. Joe Puett; Alternate, Rev. Jerry Burleson. Aug. 4 - Rev. Carson Eggers; Alternate, Rev. Earl Carver, Jr.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned until the 1972 session of the Avery County Baptist Association.

ASSOCIATIONAL FOUNDATION REPORT

The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc. was organized in 1920. It has a fifteen-member Board of Directors elected by the Baptist State Convention. The policies and procedures of the Foundation and the support of the same is in the hands of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. In other words, this is your Foundation, and you should know more about its services and activities.

During the past twelve months, the Foundation has had a gradual growth, in that several individuals and churches have made contracts with the Foundation to accomplish specific purposes such as: supporting an agency or institution of the Baptist State Convention, the Southern Baptist Convention, and world-wide objects. In one or two instances, individuals through their wills have added to existing memorials that were established during the lifetime of the donor. The Foundation stands ready to render service to individuals and churches as their requests are made known. We wish to serve you.

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon Maddery

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

Our North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging celebrated their 20th anniversary in March of this year. During these two decades, the story of our Homes has been one of faith and the abundant blessings of God upon this special ministry to older people. God has brought us from one Home, and one resident in 1951, to five Homes and a Nursing Care Unit, with total accommodations for 160 residents and 76 patients. Two of these Homes, Resthaven and the Hayes Home, and the Nursing Care Unit are located in Winston-Salem, and the other three Homes are located in Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. In these Homes, our residents are loved, and we feel that there is no greater security that they could have and no better care that they could receive.

The past year has been one of the best ever, and we are rejoicing in the blessings that have come from God through our Baptist people. Support for the Homes from the churches, through the Cooperative Program and the Special Day Offering, has been most encouraging. For the last three years, the

Homes have had an alarming deficit and have operated in the red. We have not yet reached the point of operating in the black, but let us say, with hopeful optimism, that we are approaching this time. The deepened concern of our Baptist People and the increase in gifts have been strong contributing factors to the success of the past year.

At least 80% of the people who live in our Baptist Homes are financially needy persons and benefit directly from the love gifts of North Carolina Baptists. They simply could not be maintained, and the Homes could not be operated without the Special Offering, designated gifts from the churches, and the Cooperative Program. We would urge our Baptist people, therefore, to remember how dependent these dear older people are on them and would challenge them to give more liberally than ever and to see that their gifts are a real life-line in the on-going of this ministry.

Of unusual interest during the past year has been the construction of the new addition to the Nursing Care Unit in Winston-Salem. It is anticipated that this new facility will be ready for occupancy by September 1. It will make available 20 additional beds and bring the total capacity of the Nursing Care Unit to 76. This addition was made possible by the generous challenge gift of $80,000.00 from Judge and Mrs. William York of Greensboro. The trustees accepted the challenge and raised an additional $80,000.00.

Pray for your Baptist Homes for the Aging and remember that any ministry to an older person in the name of Christ is a direct ministry to Him.

Dr. Bill Poole and
John E. Hayes

REPORT OF THE BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

Child care as practiced by the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina is a ministry dedicated to serving children and to the strengthening of wholesome Christian family life. Services are provided throughout the state from three primary centers of operation; namely: Mills Home, Thomasville; Kennedy Home, Kinston; and the Regional Service Center in Asheville. The Broyhill Home will become the center of operation for Western North Carolina. Whatever the type of service, the agency is concerned with the development of the total person. A child's growth physically, mentally, socially and spiritually, as well as the needs of other members of his family, becomes the day by day concern of the personnel of the Homes.

Progress is being made in the agency's Long Range Plans to provide more adequate services to people in need and to upgrade and expand existing facilities. The H. S. and Eloise B. Stokes and the Spurgeon J. Carver Memorial Cottages on the Mills Home Campus have been completed and occupied. A maternity home in Asheville has been purchased, renovated, furnished and opened. The W. H. Jones Memorial Infirmary on the Kennedy Home Campus has been completed and is in use. The first unit of the C. I. Robinson Memorial Recreation Building began being used early in 1971. Two cottages for children have been under construction on the Broyhill Home Campus and are scheduled for completion early in 1971.

Having realized an excellent response to the Founders and Builders Program in Western North Carolina, a Ten Star Builders Program has been launched in Eastern North Carolina. This is a public program designed for the expan-

sion and development of child care and family services in Eastern North Carolina. During the next ten years $2,500,000 is being sought for capital improvements and $3,000,000 for endowment.

Members of the Board of Trustees and members of the staff of the Homes are dedicated to a program of child care that will merit the undivided loyalty and support of our people and that will be worthy of the blessings of our Lord. In supporting the child care program a percentage of the Cooperative Program funds, the Thanksgiving Offering and special gifts are received and used.

It is recommended that each church in the Avery Association promote and receive a special Thanksgiving Offering in support of Baptist Children's Homes in North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Joe R. Puett

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Your Baptist Hospital admitted 17,557 persons in 1970 for a total of 150,174 days of care. In addition there were 51,563 visits to outpatient clinics, including 17,241 to the Emergency Room. About 90% of these were "referral" patients--that is, patients who were referred to our Hospital by their local physicians because they needed the specialized medical care our Hospital is staffed and equipped to offer.

Our Hospital, from the day of its beginning, has provided good medical care for our people, including care for persons who cannot pay the cost. There has been great progress in medicine and tremendous increase in hospital costs, and these have made some policy changes necessary. The basic policy of providing care -- now the highly specialized care for the more difficult cases -- for those who cannot pay has not changed. This Christian ministry is at the heart of the work of our Baptist Hospital.

The financial situation of the Hospital is viewed by the administration with "cautious optimism". The operating deficit has been reduced and expenditures are being kept more nearly in line with income. The entire staff is cooperating in an effort to maintain a proper balance between sound financial policies and a spirit of Christian compassion.

The Medical Center Development Program is progressing on schedule. The new patient Tower is expected to be ready for partial occupancy by late 1972. The 14 bed coronary care unit will open about September, 1971. A statewide Development Campaign, initiated with pledges totaling $177,182 from employees of the Medical Center, is moving toward successful completion.

Baptist Hospital offers a ministry of healing in Christ's name to all who need it. It seeks to fulfill the same purpose in North Carolina that a Baptist Hospital operated by our Foreign Mission Board seeks to fulfill in Korea or Nigeria. It ought to be supported by missionary-minded Baptist with the same enthusiasm and for the same reason we support every other phase of our denomination's World Mission Program. This is missions too.

Approved by Association
Given by Dr. W. K. McGee

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We often sing of "Faith of Our Fathers". Christian Education was a part of their lives. After building homes and churches, schools were soon built.

We have our Christian colleges. They have made and are making a great contribution to our denomination. Ministers and other Christian workers are receiving their education in them.

Our colleges receive support from Cooperative Program. Also Father's Day has been designated to receive an offering for our colleges. Our colleges need our support.

Respectfully submitted,
Roby L. Painter

TEMPERANCE AND MORALS

ALCOHOL COOKS THE BRAIN: According to Dr. James Putman, M.D. in his book, "The Effects of Alcohol on the Body". That you can take a glass of alcohol and break an egg into it and in just a couple of minutes time the egg is absolutely cooked hard. The human brain is very much like the white of an egg. Alcohol does something to the brain, it does the same thing to the brain that it does to the white of an egg. The partially, even the slightly intoxicated man is on a moral and intellect plane which is lower than his best, even when it seems to be a better one, and in proportion as his higher qualities fade away the less good ones become more and more apparent. (The will and self respect, the equanimity, the sense of justice become progressively weakened...in later stages such a person is quarrelsome, unreasonable, subject to the outbursts of uncontrollable passion, and occasionally even to seizures of the type of true chronic and incurable epilepsy.) It cannot be denied that alcohol results in more divorces and broken homes than any cause operating in human society. "Demon Alcohol" causes more criminals than any other single thing. It makes more gamblers than any other cause known to man. Nearly every liquor joint has a gambling establishment connected with it. Ninety percent of the gamblers drink and ninety percent of the drinkers gamble. It cannot be denied that 'alcohol' causes more murders than any other cause. It can not be denied that 'Demon Alcohol' creates more prodigal boys and more fallen women than any other cause in human society. Drink has drained more blood, hung more crepe, sold more homes, plunged more people into bankruptcy, armed more villians, slain more children, snapped more wedding rings, defiled more innocence, blinded more eyes, twisted more limbs, dethroned more reson, wrecked more manhood, dishonored more womanhood, broken more hearts, blasted more lives, driven more to suicide, and dug more graves, than any other poisoned scourge that ever swept it deathdealing waves across the world. WHERE SHOULD THE CHRISTIAN STAND?

Find out where the distillers, the brewers, the saloon keepers, the whoremongers, the harlots, the pimps, and the drunkards are, and make up your mind that God is on the other side, and there you and I must be, or be condemned. Abraham Lincoln said: "God cannot be for and against the same thing at the same time." Neither can the Christian. We know where God stands for we read in Proverbs 20:1 "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is a brawler: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." Demon Alcohol is a devil to the soul, a thief to the purse, a beggar's companion, a wife's woe and children's sorrow.

36,000,000 Americans harmed directly or indirectly because of alcoholism or problem drinking.

9,000,000 alcoholics or problem drinkers.

200,000 new cases of alcoholism each year.

28,400 of the 50,000 killed in traffic accidents each year had alcohol in their blood at the time of the accident.

500,000 disabling injuries are suffered in crashes involving problem drinkers.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Richard Porter

EVANGELISM REPORT

If we are to lead our churches into an evangelistic program or to have a revival in our churchs in America, I believe we are going to have to use New Testament evangelism characteristic.

One of these characteristics is JOY. Paul says, "May the Lord give you joy always. I say again: rejoice!" Rejoice that your name is written in the book of life. Rejoice in the glory of the gospel. Rejoice in the mighty acts of salvation in God. Rejoice in the church, the body of Jesus Christ. Rejoice in the responsibility you have as a Christian.

Another of these is OPTIMISN: In Rom: 8:37 Paul says, "No, in all these things we have complete victory through Him who loved us." I believe that if a Christian needs to compromise it is between optimism and pessimism. God's miracles are all around us if we have eyes to see. Only those who have been born again see the kingdom of God. Then the kingdoms of this world will become the kingdoms of God and his Christ.

OPENESS: I believe is evident in evangelism for today. In I Cor. 9:22, the Bible says," Among the weak in faith I become weak like one of them, in order to win them. So I become all things to all men, that I may save some of them by all means. Open to the Spirit of God." The Bible says that the wind blows where it wants to. Openess to new ideas, because the Holy Spirit uses many diffierent kinds of people in many different ways to evangelize. If some have chosen Christ as their saviour and has evangelism in his heart, we must help him, even though his way seems strange to us.

GROWTH: Characterizes evangelism for today. Paul told the people at Thessalonica, "We must thank God at all times for you, brothers!! It is right for us to do, because your faith is growing so much and the love you have for others is becoming greater. II Thess. 1:3. God has given us one of the greatest opportunities to evangelize this world. We have died to sin, to defeat, and to discouragement and are alive to God.

And let us say with Dr. Allen W. Graves of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary who said. "Sound the prophetic call to mission action that will lead churches, too long obsessed with their own internal affairs, to open their hearts to a needy world desperately longing for Christian love and understanding. Venture out like Abraham did knowing that God will lead the way. Dare to call the people of God out of their slavery to material things into the

promised land of Christian witness and service. We have dwelt too long on whats wrong with the church. Let us dare not to think to plan, to act in terms of what the church ought to be and what, through the help of the Spirit of God she can become.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Lloyd T. Ramsey

THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

At a time when some religious publications are losing circulation, it is good to report that the BIBLICAL RECORDER has passed 93,000--the highest circulation in its 138-year history. This circulation is a tribute to the Baptists of North Carolina who support the paper so faithfully.

Even though inflation continues to create problems, you can receive the RECORDER under the Church Budget Plan for the same price it was in 1970--only $2.00 a year. It is not known how long this reasonable price can be made available and that is all the more reason churches should enlist immediately.

The RECORDER likes to report all the good news it can about Baptists. The paper is proud to be the instrument that communicates to the world what our denomination is doing. When evil needs to be exposed, however, the RECORDER does not shun it. This was evidenced again in the legislature this year as the liquor forces managed only small gains. And these may turn out to be unconstitutional. We are referring to the local option liquor by the drink elections in Moore and Mecklenburg Counties. The Recorder stresses Christian citizenship. Perhaps this is one reason the paper continues to reach more and more people--it stands for something.

The Recorder appreciates every reader and supporter. The cost is reasonable. You can receive the RECORDER under the Church Budget Plan for only 4¢ a week--half the cost of mailing a letter. There is no more economical way to have an informed membership than by sending the RECORDER to every family.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Marse Grant, Editor
BIBLICAL RECORDER

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

A pastor said in a fellowship meeting in his church, "My hand reaches 25,000 miles, or rather the Lord's hands through me, when I lay the dedicated tithes of my income in the offering plate of my church."

How can I reach this distance? By joining hands with others as we give through the Cooperative Program.

Our Lord set a wonderful example for us in Matthew 28:19-20. Go ye therefore and teach all nation, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you.

He started with education. He taught the apostles and they proclaimed the gospel around the world.

The cooperative program is an effort to follow this example.

Since the Cooperative Program helps to educate and now pays the salary of over 6,000 missionaries around the world, now I am able to reach the 25,000 miles of the earth as I give through the Cooperative Program.

North Carolina Baptists believe that the cooperative program is the best way to do mission work, because it is motivated by our Lord. It is the desire of the New Testament churches to give the Gospel to all the world.

Avery Association has come a long way in giving to mission work in the past five years. In 1966 the total mission was $9,224.00 and in 1970 it jumped to $19,190.00, a total increase of $9,867.00.

The Cooperative program also increased from $2,183.00 in 1966 to $4,327.00 in 1970, an increase of $2,144.00.

Let us in Avery Association join hands that we too may reach 25,000 miles of the earth in giving the Gospel to all the world.

Rev. Lee Pitman

CHURCH TRAINING

We are thankful to God for the past year. God has blessed us in many ways in our training. May we say here, this is not just Sunday night Training Union, as we know it best, or ongoing Church Membership Training. When we think of teaching (The Sunday School) Missions (WMU and Brotherhood), Music and Ministering. This is the training task of the church.

We are appreciative of the Cooperative Christian Spirit on the part of those who helped us in our associational programs this past year. We are looking forward to greater fellowship with all; and we pray you will be an active part. May God continue to bless in those churches with an active training program; and may He move in such a way as to stir those who don't into a realization of the need. We have a great need for more new member training, more active church member training; and most important, leadership training. A church is only as strong as its weakest member and his awareness of the church task.

What is the task of the church? What is at the heart of the church's task? The ability to communicate with persons, to share the gospel, sharing a church's concern, expressing love and understanding, being able to demonstrate a desire to meet the great needs of the heart through Bible study, worship, Christian fellowship and service. This is accomplished through a person to person encounter. How many of these have you been able to share in communicating? How easy it is to deny personal responsibility, because the establishment is easy to blame. It is more effective to save the world than to deal with yourself?

Individual accountability is the starting of all our lives. It is time each of us realized our responsibility as a witness, as a leader in God's work. It is time we looked at ourselves, and took a good look. How do we stand when it comes to accountability, personal accountability? Lack of accountability results in lack of planning, lack of dedication, lack of vision. An individual, a church, an association without vision perishes.

Why do we fail to plan? May we share a few reasons. Planning requires more effort than some are willing to give. Some don't plan because they don't have the necessary material or information. Some don't know what to plan for. Some follow no plans therefore see no reason for planning. Some feel it is best to work things out as they happen. Some don't know how to plan. When we fail in planning, we fail to elect through organization, we fail to train by working together, we fail to plan through evangelism; and we are unable to share with our congregation. There are few blessings and little joy. It is no wonder we go lacking. Is it not time we better prepared ourselves? Is it not time we worked together to train? Is it not time we plan through evangelism? Then we can share.

Let's take a good look at ourselves, being honest with God and our fellowman. How many have we led to a more effective service for the Master? How many have we helped to lose in the Master's Service? This is the task of the Church Training. Learning through experience, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit, and effective leadership within the body of the Church. Without vision there is no planning and as it has been said, "When we fail to plan, we plan to fail".

Colossians 4: 5 and 6: We walk in wisdom toward them that are without redeeming the time. Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

Your Servant in Christ,
Bettie C. Hooks

AVERY COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Avery County Baptist Sunday School Convention met Saturday, July 17, at ten o'clock at the Powdermill Baptist Church with the call to worship by the superintendent, Rev. Alfred Jones. The theme was "Opening the Master's Door". Conley Huffman, Superintendent of Chestnut Dale Sunday School, led in singing the hymn, "Victory in Jesus", accompanied by Mrs. Bob Banner at the piano.

During the roll call of Sunday Schools, thirteen responded: Belview, Big Meadows, Chestnut Dale, Crossnore, Green Valley, Henson Creek, Jonas Ridge, Mt. Pleasant, Newland, Powdermill, Sugar Mountain, Valley Haven, and Whites Memorial.

Nine preachers were present: They were recognized and most of them took part in the discussion on Sunday School work. They were E. O. Bustle, Alfred Jones, Lee Pittman, Paul Pittman, Richard Porter, Joe R. Puett, Lloyd Ramsey, Gerald Roby Thompson, and Jeff Willis.

The Time, Place and Preacher Committee report was given by Rev. E. O. Bustle, Chairman; Rev. Lee Pittman and Rev. Richard Porter. The July 15, 1972 Convention will meet at the Whites Memorial Baptist Church with Rev. Robert Lindley, pastor of the Elk Park Baptist Church, bringing the annual sermon. The Resolutions committee, composed of Rev. Alfred Jones, Chairman, Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, and Joe B. Perry, submitted the following resolution: "We hereby resolve and thank God for this privilege to meet and fellowship with fellow Christians, for the good feeling we have in discussing our faults and shortcomings, realizing we are doing only a small part of what we could. We are grateful and looking forward to a delicious lunch being prepared by the ladies of Powdermill Baptist Church. Rev. Lloyd Ramsey expressed appreciation to the officers of the Avery County Sunday School Convention for their work during the past year.

The following officers were duly elected: Rev. Gerald Roby Thompson of Pleasant Valley, Superintendent; Joe B. Perry of Valley Haven, Assistant Superintendent; and Mrs. Ruth W. Calloway, Secretary.

A second hymn, "When We All Get To Heaven" was sung.

Rev. Alfred Jones, pastor of the Sugar Mountain and Valley Haven Baptist Churches, brought the annual sermon, using Luke 13: 6-9 and John 15:1-5 and speaking on the Parable of the Fig Tree.

The benediction and blessing was given by the Rev. Jeff Willis, pastor of Green Valley Baptist Church. A bounteous dinner prepared by the Powdermill women of the church was served on tables outside and an hour of fellowship.

Respectively submitted by
Rev. Alfred Jones, Superintendent
Joe B. Perry, Assistant
Ruth Calloway, Secretary

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Our annual W.M.U. Meeting was held at Newland Baptist Church. The following officers were elected: Mrs. E. O. Bustle, Director; Mrs. C. A. Bowlick, Assistant Director; Mrs. Johnnie McCourry, Secretary; Mrs. Edna Cuthbertson, Treasurer; Mrs. Shelby Vance, Baptist Women Director; Mrs. J. Ray Braswell, Assistant Baptist Women Director; Mrs. Helen Guinn, Baptist Young Women Director; Mrs. Robert Lindley, Assistant Baptist Young Women Leader; Mrs. J. L. Carpenter, Acting Director; Mrs. John Calhoun, Assistant. Girls in Action Director, Mrs. Johnnie Shell; Assistant, Mrs. Bettie Hooks; Mission Friends Director, Mrs. Bob Banner; Assistant, Mrs. J. T. Tanner; Mission Action Director, Mrs. Nelle McCourry; Assistant, Mrs. J. C. Brown; Mission Study Director, Mrs. Jack Ollis; and Assistant, Mrs. J. R. Puett.

We had as guest speaker, Dr. Russell Rowland, M.D. He is a medical missionary and had just returned from Yeman. We have five new W.M.U.'s which make fifteen in Avery Association.

We had one Association-wide Foreign Mission Study at Crossnore Baptist Church for all age groups except Nursery. This study was taught by Margaret Ollis.

We had a Mission Study on Home Missions at Crossnore Church, Association-wide. This study was taught by Bettie Hooks. We had one council meeting in March. Our next Annual W.M.U. Meeting will be at Pineola Baptist Church. Date to be announced later.

We hope to see more churches organized for Mission Work. If our churches were more informed about Mission Work, we would have more dedicated Mission-minded leaders.

Heb. 12: Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down and the feeble knees; and make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. E. O. Bustle

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY'S REPORT

Days on Field	163
Visits Made	86
Preached	21
Taught Study Courses	30 days
Showed Slides	5 times
Taught S. S. Lessons	15
Ordination Services	5

Visits to Prison Camp 7
Associational Meetings 18
State Meetings 5
Miles Traveled 11,500

Our budget for the Association was set at $1300.00 this past year. And about one third of the Churches gave enough to go some over the budget. We could go away beyond that, if all of our churches were cooperative churches. We have had a good year, and I am thankful to the Lord for all he has done. He had the faithful few to do the job.

As the Association goes, so goes the Mission Work around the world. Do you want a part in Missions?

Respectfully submitted,
E. O. Bustle

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

We have many beautiful hymns which we sing and enjoy the sounds as instruments and voices blend together. I am sure the meaning of the words have a message much more important than the sounds of voices and instruments. However, these should be used to the best of the abilities of those who play and sing them, that the message may be delivered. There are several pertaining to stewardship. One is, "Take my Life and Let It Be". This is what God demands of us, therefore it should be our prayer that God will help us give to Him that which He is interested in, ourselves, our all.

In many prayers do we not pray more for gifts from God rather than for Him to take anything which we call ours. Calling things or even ourselves, which are entrusted to us, our own is a sign of misunderstanding on our part.

I am reasonably sure that we agree that the words, music, and message of this song are beautiful and meaningful. However, the life that would be given according to the terms of the words would be more beautiful, and what if all who are met here would mean the words when we sing them?

Also, I am reasonably sure we will have to admit that we as individuals fail to really let God take our lives and let them be as He wants and as we need them be.

The records show that progress is being made in some areas of the stewardship of Avery Association for which we are thankful to God, but also show that we cannot afford to be satisfied with what we have done.

According to the 1970 statistics of Avery Association 30 churches reported a total membership of 4,302. Of these 1666 were non-resident members. This shows a decrease in non-resident members, which is good, but of the 2,736 resident members, how many really ask the Lord to take and use their lives?

The average Sunday School attendance was approximately 60% of the enrollment. This should give us some idea of the dedication or lack of it among the membership of our churches.

Training Union enrollment decreased from 504 in 1969 to 449 in 1970. This may say that too many are saying to the Lord, "Use me as I am or not at all". We hardly need decreases such as this. God can't use them but the devil sure can.

The W.M.U. showed a small increase, from 184 to 206, in enrollment. However, if we were really Missionary Churches, it seems that the organization

which is said to be the most active one as far as missions are concerned would be much larger than this small number.

The Brotherhood enrollment showed an increase from 79 to 129. I pray that this trend will continue. Too many men of our churches have not said to the Lord, "Take My Life and Let It Be".

The music ministry had a decrease of 5 in it's enrollment. This is another step in the devil's favor. There is much talent in music and many beautiful voices in the churches of Avery Association. These are gifts from God and should be used for Him. Pray that this trend does not continue.

The tithes and offerings showed an increase from $150,580 to $175,370. This shows that more of the material blessings are being returned by the steward to his Master. Let us keep on in this as no person has ever given more than God.

The churches increased their mission giving through the Cooperative Program from $3,772 in 1969 to $4,327 in 1970. Although this is an increase in dollars and cents, there was small decrease in the percentage which should not be. However, the total mission expenditures show an increase from $15,365 to $19,191 which is an increase in pecentage to about 11.5% which is a small offering above a tithe. I believe every Christian should give both tithe and offering, therefore every church, if it is a good steward of the money brought into it should give more than a tithe to missions.

The harvest of souls show a very small increase, from 165 to 167. These could never be valued in dollars and cents, but doesn't it show that the first part of II Corinthians 9:6 is very true. As we increased our sowing sparingly the increase in the harvest was small. Shall we let God prove the last part to be true also. Let us sow bountifully in our sowing for the Master. Let us say unto the Lord, "Take My Life, and Let It Be".

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Robert Lindley

MUSIC REPORT

I will be glad and rejoice in Thee: I will sing praise to thy name. O thou most High. Psalm 9:2

After hearing the report by Rev. Porter yesterday on the many destructive things alcoholic beverages do, I went home kicking the thought in my mind of just how opposite it is of music. For instance, music brings out the better quality of a man. (This, of course, is written with Hymns and gospel songs in mind.) The cost is low - to sing costs only effort. Musical instruments are of reasonable cost. The effects are clearing of the mind, lifting of the soul, expressment of feelings, a clear cut witness. It harms noone else and instead could be the means of saving his life eternal. Singing and the playing of religious music helps the nervous system, allows man a priceless conversing he could have no other way. Brings close knit of the family and church members. The only witness some people can give is through singing and through this drawing force, people are saved. So to take a complete look, music has the complete opposite effects of strong drink.

The family that sings together clings together.

A state worker was acquired for four nights for Jonas Ridge Church, Mr. Charles Gatwood, Director of Associational Music. This was well attended by the local church,but few others took advantage of it.

A Thanksgiving program was held in Pleasant Hill Church and well attended with a good spirit present.

The Easter program scheduled was not held because of so many conflictions close and on the date.

I request the permission of the Association to have the Executive Committee select helping workers at the first meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kenneth Johnson

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

The Bible teaching in our Sunday Schools is good each Sunday, but when we put it all together for a ten day Bible study, we get as much Bible teaching as we get in the whole year in Sunday School.

It pays to have a Vacation Bible School. This year we have had 26 Bible Schools with the highest enrollment we have had in a long time, and some very good reports on decisions for Christ.

We appreciate our V.B.S. workers this year. Mrs. Dottie Miller did a wonderful job with the schools she worked with. Some of our churches had their own schools this year, that had help before, which we think is a great improvement.

Respectively submitted,
E. O. Bustle

OBITUARIES

In Memoriam: "Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." Matt. 5:18.

Over There

"I'll soon be at home over there,
For the end of my journey I see,
Many dear to my heart, over there,
Are watching and waiting for me.

"Over there, over there,
I'll soon be at home over there,
Over there, over there.
I'll soon be at home over there."

D.W.C. Huntington

Beech Mountain. . . . . .Herst McGuire
Finley Parlier
Hugh Storie
James Trivette

Belview. . . . . .Mrs. Zona English
Mrs. Flossie Gouge
Fred Hicks

Cranberry. . . . . Mrs. Sylvia Henson
Charlie Henson, Deacon
Crossnore. . . . . Mrs. Poppy Henson
Mrs. Annie Braxton
Mrs. Nettie Clark
Elk Valley. . . . . .Frank Horney
Miss Edna Partington
Fall Creek. . . . . Grady Norris
John Parlier, Sr.
Green Valley. . . . . .Mrs. Joe Ollis
Dent Weatherman, Deacon
Henson Creek. . . . . Mrs. Dollie McKinney
Mt. Pleasant. . . . . .Mrs. Verner Smith
Newland. . . . . .Roby A. Shomaker, Deacon
S/Sgt. Sam Eugene Stout
. Douglas Morrison
Oak Grove. . . . . Joel Hodge
Pilgrim. . . . . Mrs. Margaret Jones
Mrs. Pauline Sluder
Pleasant Hill . . . . . .Homer Pittman
Dave Hughes
Mrs. Lizzie Ledford
Pleasant Valley. . . . . .Mrs. Mae Brewer
Mrs. Stella Potter
Whites Memorial. . . . . .Rev. Ted Braswell, Pastor

Reported by Mrs. Bob Banner

HISTORY OF AVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Avery Baptist Association, composed of the ten organized Baptist Churches, came into existence September 20, 1912 at a meeting held at Aaron Church. Ten churches were represented: Aaron, Elk Park, Jonas Ridge, Pleasant Hill, Minneapolis, Big Meadows, Saginaw (Now Pineola), Henson Creek, Roaring Creek and Green Valley. These were the Charter Members. The ten churches were served by 3 pastors supported on an annual salary the first year of $595.33. Gifts to State Missions were $101.77 which was commendable for that early day. Foreign Missions was $40.00 and orphanage $10.25. We now have 21 pastors serving in its 30 churches with some 4,000 members. Gifts to all causes have increased with more contributing through the Cooperative Program in the past few years. To this end may each church see anew its responsibility and seek to encourage young churches to share the gospel by giving. In this fulfillment our record for the next few years should bring us joy and glory to God.

For 1973 plans are being made for a World Mission Program in our Association. We will be hearing more about this from our Associational Missionary, Rev. Bustle.

MINISTERS LICENSED OR ORDAINED 197--71

Aaron: Greg Holden - licensed
Cranberry: Harry Lee Turbyfill - ordained and licensed
Crossnore: Jerry Burleson - licensed.
Pleasant Hill: Earl Carver, Jr. - ordained.
Lloyd Hoilman - licensed ; Alfred Jones - licensed; Russell Hoilman - licensed.

AVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	MEETING PLACE	MODERATOR
1912	Aaron	W. H. Ollis
1913	Pleasant Hill	S. M. Pittman
1914	Big Meadows	C. C. Bryant
1915	Jonas Ridge	W. H. Ollis
1916	Yellow Mountain	W. H. Ollis
1917	Roaring Creek	D. A. Greene
1918	Green Valley	D. A. Greene
1919	Crossnore	D. A. Greene
1920	Minneapolis	S. M. Pittman
1921	Beech Mountain	R. T. Lewis
1922	Pleasant Hill	R. T. Lewis
1923	Newland	N. S. Hampton
1924	Elk Valley	N. S. Hampton
1925	Chestnut Dale	N. S. Hampton
1926	Green Valley	N. S. Hampton
1927	Big Meadows	N. S. Hampton
1928	Jonas Ridge	N. S. Hampton
1929	Yellow Mountain	N. S. Hampton
1930	Roaring Creek	N. S. Hampton
1931	Aaron	K. L. Haga
1932	Crossnore	K. L. Haga
1933	Powdermill	Ed W. Buchanan
1934	Mt. Pleasant	Ed W. Buchanan
1935	Beech Mountain	Ed W. Buchanan
1936	Pineola	G. D. Danner
1937	Flat Springs	G. D. Danner
1938	Green Valley	V. W. Greene
1939	Fall Creek	V. W. Greene
1940	Newland	V. W. Greene
1941	Yellow Mountain	V. W. Greene
1942	Elk Valley	V. W. Greene
1943	Belview	R. T. Teague
1944	Elk Park	R. T. Teague
1945	Pleasant Hill and Minneapolis	R. L. Painter
1946	Jonas Ridge and Oak Grove	D. N. Jones
1947	Cranberry	D. N. Jones
1948	Powdermill	V. W. Greene

1949	Crossnore and Mt. Pleasant	D. N. Jones
1950	Aaron and Newland	J. W. Costner
1951	Elk Valley and Valley Haven	J. C. Brown
1952	Sugar Mountain and Big Meadows	Mack Hodge
1953	Belview and Minneapolis	Mack Hodge
1954	Fairview and Whites Memorial	Mack Hodge
1955	Flat Springs and Beech Mountain	Mack Hodge
1956	Pleasant Hill and Newland	D. N. Jones
1957	Crossnore and Chestnut Dale	Ira Hodges
1958	Fall Creek and Roaring Creek	Howard Hodges
1959	Ekk Park and Cranberry	Howard Hodges
1960	Oak Grove and Stamey Town	G. H. Dellinger
1961	Aaron and Jonas Ridge	G. H. Dellinger
1962	Minneapolis & Pleasant Hill	Marion C. "Billy" Smith
1963	Beech Mountain and Elk Valley	Marion C. "Billy" Smith
1964	Powdermill and Belview	D. N. Jones
1965	Valley Haven and Cranberry	Raymond Turbyfill
1966	Flat Springs and Fall Creek	Raymond Turbyfill
1967	Yellow Mountain and Whites Memorial	Raymond Turbyfill
1968	Pleasant Hill and Big Meadows	Joe R. Puett
1969	Beech Mountain and Mt. Pleasant	Joe R. Puett
1970	Crossnore and Minneapolis	Max Holland
1971	Newland and Aaron	Robert Lindley

Respectfully Submitted,
S.W. Vance, Historian

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION YEAR ENDING July 31 1971 (Month & Day)

Association: Avery
State: North Carolina
Associational Clerk: Mrs. Johnnie Shell
Address: Rt. 2, Box 148-A City: Newland State: N.C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	County	1 Year organized as a church	2 Loc (1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-0)	3 Services held twice on Sunday? Y	3 Services held twice on Sunday? N	3 If no, services held on: 1st Sunday M	1st Sunday E	2nd Sunday M	2nd Sunday E	3rd Sunday M	3rd Sunday E	4th Sunday M	4th Sunday E	5th Sunday M	5th Sunday E	4 Total Baptisms	5 Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	6 Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	7 Present resident members	8 Present nonresident members	9 Grand total present members	10 No. members received from non-Baptist denominations	11 No. members lost to non-Baptist denominations	16 Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	17 Value of Church property incl. pastor's home	18 Total church debt at end of this associational year
Aaron	Dean Bare, Montezuma, N. C.	Avery	1858	2		X	X		X		X		X		X		0	2	4	118	27	145	0	1	0	$50,000	$6, 400
Beech Mountain	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove, N. C.	Avery	1869	1		X			X					X			1	14	4	85	67	152	0	0	0	10,000	1,000
Belview	Lloyd Ramsey, Banner Elk, N. C.	Avery	1922	2		X		X	X			X	X				0	0	3	65	72	137	0	0	0	10,000	0
Big Meadows	James Beaver, Rt. 2, Burnsville, N. C.	Avery	1845	1		X			X			X	X				2	0	1	76	90	166	0	0	0	15,000	0
Chestnut Dale	Lloyd Ramsey, Box 353, Banner Elk, N. C.	Avery	1903	1		X	X			X	X			X			0	0	0	35	8	44	0	0	0	10,000	0
Cranberry	Harry Turbyfill, Cranberry, N. C.	Avery	1908	1		X	X			X	X			X			6	1	9	139	50	189	1	0		10,000	0
Crossnore	J. R. Puett, Crossnore, N. C.	Avery	1907	2	X												5	9	14			548	1	0	10,000	123,000	28,800
Elk Park	Robert Lindley, Elk Park, N. C.	Avery	1917	3	X												0	4	1	49	0	49	0	0		23,500	
Elk Valley	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove, N. C.	Avery	1882	1		X		X			X	X					2	0	4	80		195	0	0		30,000	0
Fairview	Kelse Hollifield, Marion, N. C.	Avery	1940	1		X	X				X						0	1	5	65	50	115	0	0			
Fall Creek	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove, N. C.	Avery	1885	1		X			X			X					3	0	5	81	84	165	0	0	0	15,000	0
Green Valley	Jeff Willis, Rt. 3, Bakersville, N. C.	Avery	1886	1		X	X				X						0	2	7	46	55	101	0	0	0	20,000	0
Henson Creek	Paul Pittman, Spruce Pine, N. C.	Avery	1900	1		X		X	X			X	X		X		0	3	1	109	30	139	0	0	0	10,000	0
Jonas Ridge	Richard Porter, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	Burke	1887	1	X												15	5	2	109	80	189	5	2	5,000	30,000	2,000
Minneapolis	Benny Hagie, Todd, N. C.	Avery	1887	2		X		X				X					1	5	12	93	70	163	0	0	0	35,000	0
Mt. Pleasant		Avery	1869	1													9	4	2	120	72	192	0	0	0	15,000	0
Newland, First	William Abel, Box 582, Newland, N. C.	Avery	1921	3	X												29	10	12	282	77	359	0	1	25,000	185,700	49,000
Oak Grove	Earl Carver, Jr. Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	Avery	1919	1		X	X		X		X		X		X		21	7	9	110	45	155	0	0	0	6,000	0
Pilgrim	Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.	Avery	1963	2		X		X				X					0	0	2	38	23	61	0	0	0	20,000	0
Pineola		Avery	1913	1		X	X		X		X						5	2	4	74		74	0	0	4,000	16,000	1,300
Pleasant Hill		Avery	1905	1		X	X			X	X			X			3	0	11	225	131	356	0	0	15,000	55,000	2,783
Pleasant Valley	Roby L. Painter, Banner Elk, N. C.	Avery	1893	1		X	X		X		X		X				1	0	10	66	33	99	1	8	0	5,000	0
Powdermill	Paul Pittman, Spruce Pine, N. C.	Avery	1914	1		X	X			X	X			X	X		4	3	4	86	34	120	0	0	0	15,000	0
Roaring Creek	Lloyd Hoilman, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	Avery	1871	1		X		X	X			X	X				4	5	2			89	0	0	0	5,000	0
Stamey Town	Carson Eggers, Blowing Rock, N. C.	Avery	1947	1		X	X		X		X		X		X		1	0	4	49	32	82	0	0	9,000	25,000	895

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Sugar Mountain	Alfred Jones, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	Avery	1950	1		X	X				X						0	0	0	26	21	47	0	0	0	35,000	3,900
Valley Haven	Alfred Jones, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	Avery	1948	2		X			X				X				3	2	3	38	28	66	0	0	0	35,000	0
Whaley	Non-reporting																										
Whites Memorial	Lee Pittman, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	Avery	1949	1	X												7	3	7	40	59	99	0	0	0	15,000	0
Yellow Mountain	Robert Anderson, Plumtree, N. C.	Avery	1869	1	X												18	11	2	125	9	134	0	0	0	35,000	0

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR ENDING July 31 (Month & Day) 1971

Association: Avery

State: North Carolina

Associational Sunday School Director: Alfred Jones

Address: Rt. 1 City: Banner Elk State: N. C. Zip:

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	44 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	45 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	46 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	47 Young Adult enrolment (18-25 years or H.S. graduation to 29 Years)	48 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	49 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	50 Adults Away enrolment	51 Homebound Units enrolment	52 General officers enrolment	53 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	54 Total ongoing enrolment	55 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	56 Number of Fellowship Bible classes	56 Fellowship Bible class enrolment	57 Kindergarten and day care enrolment	58 Bible conference projects enrolment	59 Weekday Bible study enrolment	60 Church V. B. S. enrolment	60 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	60 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Aaron	Dennis Sudderth, Montezuma, N. C. 28653	8	6	15	44	19	6	12	0	0	0	110	60	1	0	0	0	12	15	15	30
Beech Mountain	Dennis Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C. 28622	11	14	18	35	14	10	0	0	0	0	102	53	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	25
Belview	Frank McKinney, Jr., Elk Park, N. C. 28622	9	8	18	3	23	8	0	0	3	0	72	61	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	33
Big Meadows	Oscar Cook, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C. 28657	9	10	18	15	25	6	0	0	2	0	85	80	0	0	0	0	0	84	0	84
Chestnut Dale	Conley Huffman, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C. 28657	9	5	2	11	25	4	0	0	0	0	56	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cranberry	Judd S. Jones, Cranberry, N. C. 28614	20	19	19	29	13	13	4	0	12	0	129	86	0	0	0	0	0	68	0	68
Crossnore	Edgar Edwards, Crossnore, N. C. 28616	28	27	31	31	53	22	0	0	4	0	196	125	0	0	0	0	0	88	0	88
Elk Park	Joe Massee, Elk Park, N. C. 28622	2	9	7	2	6	7	0	0	0	0	33		0	0	0	0	0	56	0	56
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C. 28622	5	6	6	10	20	5	0	0	0	0	55		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairview	A. D. Woody, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C. 28657		15			60	20	0	0	0	0	95	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fall Creek	John Parlier, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C. 28622	8	9	9	11	21	13	0	0	0	0	76	73	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	31
Green Valley	Bobby McClellan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C. 28777	6	6	8	6	8	4	0	0	2	0	40	28	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	33
Henson Creek	Sherill Pittman, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C. 28657	6	6	14	24	38	0	0	0	0	0	88	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jonas Ridge	Russell Singleton, Rt. 2, Box 209, Newland, N. C.	12	25	10	17	26	0	0	0	0	0	90	72	0	0	0	0	0	58	0	58
Minneapolis		9	5	10	16	35	0	0	0	0	0	75		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mount Pleasant	Max Freeman, Newland, N. C. 28657	4	5	9		16	0	0	0	2	0	36	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Newland, First	Bruce W. Daniels, Newland, N. C. 28657		18	10	30	40	0	0	0	0	0	98	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oak Grove	Charles Townsend, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C. 28657	12	7	15	25	20	10	0	0	12	0	101	95	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	51
Pilgrim	Wesley Sluder, Rt. 2, Roan Mt., Tennessee	6	2	7	15	15	10	0	0	0	0	55	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pineola	George Smith, Pineola, N. C.	7	12	7	8	25	10	0	0	0	0	69	35	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	32
Pleasant Hill	Verne Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	13	24	23	26	27	22	0	0	2	0	130	105	0	0	0	0	0	76	0	76
Pleasant Valley		5	8	8	5	11	8	1	0	2	0	47	25	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10
Powdermill	Jack Buchanan, Rt. 1, Box 235, Newland, N. C.	6	10	13	20	29	8	0	0	7	0	93	65	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	24
Roaring Creek	Grady Gardner, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.	8	8	15		16	5	0	0	12	0	69		1	14	0	0	0	107	0	107
Stamey Town	Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland, N. C.	10	20	9	12	12	4	0	0	2	0	69	48	0	0	0	0	0	64	0	64

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR ENDING _____ 1971 (Month & Day)

Association

State

Associational Sunday School Director

Address City State Zip

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	44 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	45 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	46 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	47 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 Years)	48 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	49 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	50 Adults Away enrolment	51 Homebound Units enrolment	52 General officers enrolment	53 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	54 Total ongoing enrolment	55 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	56 Number of Fellowship Bible classes	56 Fellowship Bible class enrolment	57 Kindergarten and day care enrolment	58 Bible conference projects enrolment	59 Weekday Bible study enrolment	60 Church V. B. S. enrolment	60 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	Total V. B. S. enrolment
Sugar Mountain	David Braswell, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	5	5	1	6	13	5	0	0	12	0	47	30	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	20
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	12	9	6	13	17	0	0	0	5	0	62	40	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	23
Whites Memorial	Lantz Huffman, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.	10	7	4	24	10	8	3	0	15	0	0	62		0	0	0	0	41	0	41
Yellow Mountain		11	16	13	10	30	0	0	0	10	0	0	88		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whaley	Non-reporting																				

TABLE C TRAINING UNION — YEAR ENDING July 31 (Month & Day) 1971

Association: Avery
State: North Carolina
Associational Training Union Director: Mrs. Bettie C. Hooks
Address: Rt. 2, Box 190 — City: Newland, — State: N. C. — Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	61 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	62 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	63 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	64 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	65 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	66 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	67 General officers enrolment	68 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	69 Total ongoing enrolment	70 Average weekly Training Union attendance	71 New Member Orientation: Registration	71 New Member Orientation: Completed	72 Church Leader Training: Registration	72 Church Leader Training: Completed	73 Member Training Projects: Registration	73 Member Training Projects: Completed
Aaron	Clyde Sudderth, Montezuma, N. C. 28653	4	6	10	6	12	2	0	0	40		0	0	0	0	0	0
Belview	Walter Gouge, Cranberry, N. C.	2	10	5	4	12	4	2	0	39	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Big Meadows	Homer Calloway, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	5	5	4	8	0	0	0	0	22	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cranberry	Gary Green, Cranberry, N. C.	3	6	10	0	4	4	2	0	29	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crossnore	Miss Estella Cuthbertson, Crossnore, N. C.	0	6	21	11	17	0	0	0	55							
Elk Park	David Massee, Elk Park, N. C.	1	3	2	1	12				69	19						
Green Valley	Mrs. Louise McClellan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.	3	4	4	3	4	4	2	22	24	14						
Jonas Ridge	Randall Barrier, Morganton, N. C.	4	16	6	0	16	0	0	0	42		0	0	0	0	0	0
Newland	Pat V. Eller, Newland, N. C.																
Pleasant Hill	Tommy McKinney, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	1	4	7	5	12	4			33	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
Powdermill	Jimmy Freeman, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	0	3	7	15	0	0	3	0	28	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
Roaring Creek	Lloyd Hoilman, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	0	5	3	3	8	0	6	0	25							
Stamey Town	Douglas Vance, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	7	3	5	5	10	0	4	0	34	19						
Valley Haven	Larry Draughon, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	2	3	3	0	11	0	2	0	21	12						
Whites Memorial	Lance Huffman, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.	3	3	5	6	20	0	6	0	43	32						

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC — YEAR ENDING _____ (Month & Day) 1971

Association: Avery

State: North Coralina

Associational Music Director: Kenneth Johnson

Address: City: Crassnore State: N. C. Zip:

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	78 General officers enrolment	79 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	80 Total church music enrolment	81 Average weekly church music enrolment	82 Handbell ringers enrolment	83 Vocal ensemble enrolment	84 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	85 Church music study group enrolment
Aaron		8	6	12	16	0	0	42		0	0	0	0
Beech Mountain	Earline Church, Elk Park, N. C.												
Belview		2	7	10	20	2		41	35	0	0	0	0
Big Meadows	Frank Benfield, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.												
Chestnut Dale	Conely Huffman, Rt. 1, Newland, N.C.												
Cranberry	Ernest Turbyfill, Cranberry, N. C.												
Crossnore	Mrs. J. R. Puett, Crassnore, N. C.			5	23			28					
Elk Park	Mrs. Richard Potton, Elk Park, N. C.												
Elk Valley	Mr. Fred Blair, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.												
Foirview	Roy Cook, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.												
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Elk Park, N. C.	4	9	9	27			49					
Newlond	Doris Greene, Newland, N. C.			6	19			25	12				
Oak Grove	Kenny Colhoun, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.												
Pilgrim	Mack Cook, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.												
Pleosant Hill	Allen Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	0	6	7	8			21					
Pleasont Valley	Harold Baer, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.												
Powdermill	Joe Contrell, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.												
Rooring Creek'	Phillip Woody, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.							20					
Stomey Town	Doymand Pritchard, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.												
Volley Hoven	W. M. Blair, Banner Elk, N. C.												
Whites Memorial	Joe Hughes, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.												
Yellow Mountoin	Austin Buchonan, Plumtree, N. C. 28664												

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION YEAR ENDING July 31 (Month & Day) 1971

Association: Avery
State: North Carolina
Associational WMU Director: Mrs. E. O. Bustle
Address: Rt. 2 City: Newland State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	86A Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school) Number of organizations	86B Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school) Enrolment	87A Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6) Number of organizations	87B Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6) Enrolment	88A Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12) Number of organizations	88B Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12) Enrolment	89A Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years) Number of organizations	89B Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years) Enrolment	90A Baptist Women (30 and over) Number of organizations	90B Baptist Women (30 and over) Enrolment	91 WMU officers enrolment	92A Mission(s) of church Number of organizations	92B Mission(s) of church Enrolment	93A Total WMU Number of organizations	93B Total WMU Enrolment
Aaron	Mrs. Mary Franklin, Montezuma, N. C. 28653	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		20	0	0	0	1	20
Big Meadows	Mrs. Ada Johnson, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.									1	10				1	10
Cranberry	Mrs. Nelle McCoury, Cranberry, N. C.									1	11	4			1	11
Crossnore	Mrs. Edna Cuthbertson, Crossnore, N. C.	1	10	1	14	1	7	1	12	1	18				5	61
Elk Park	Mrs. Robert Lindley, Elk Park, N. C.	1	9	1	16	1	18			1	11				4	54
Jonas Ridge	Mrs. Johnnie Shell, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.			1	10	1	5			1	13				3	28
Newland	Mrs. Marion Cheek, Newland, N. C.									1	12				1	12
Pineola	Mrs. Bruce Smith, Pineola, N. C.									1					1	
Pleasant Hill	Hazel Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.			1	10					1	10				2	20
Roaring Creek	Charlotte Hoilman, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	1	12			1	10			1	5	5			3	27
Stamey Town	Mrs. Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.			1	7	1	7			1	15	2			3	31
Valley Haven	Betty Jones, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	1	15							1	12	7			2	34
Whites Memorial	Helen Pittman, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.									1	10	6			1	10

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD

YEAR ENDING July 31, 1971 (Month & Day)

Association: Avery

State: North Carolina

Associational Brotherhood Director: Rev. Robert Davis

Address: City State Zip

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	94 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	95 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	96 Baptist Young Men enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	97 Baptist Men enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	98 Baptist Senior Men (60 and over or retirement and over)	99 General officers enrolment	100 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	101 Total Brotherhood enrolment
Aaron					12				12
Crossnore	John W. Calhoun, Crossnore, N. C.	7	10	10	8	2	4	0	41
Jonas Ridge	Richard Daniels, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.			4	9				13
Pleasant Hill	Russell Hoilman, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	23							23
Roaring Creek	Vearl Hughes, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	8			4				12
Stamey Town	Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.				7		2		9

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING July 31 1971 (Month & Day)

Association: Avery
State: North Carolina
Associational Treasurer: Mrs. Johnnie Shell
Address: Rt. 2, Box 148-A City: Newland State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	12 Number of tithers	13 Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year. None	Forward Program	Other	14 Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	15 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	102 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	103 All other receipts	104 Total receipts	105 Money borrowed during the year	106 Church staff salaries	107 Money paid out on new construction during the year	108 Debt retirement during the year	109 All other local expenditures	110 Total local expenditures
Aaron	John Hayes, Montezuma	17				5	1	13,791		13,791	3,377	5,362	10,923	800	2,415	19.500
Beech Mountain	Truman Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.	6						4,419		4,419	2,000	1,701	4,436	1,000	821	7,958
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry, N. C.	10	X					4,132		4,132	0	1,745	0	0	1,584	3,329
Big Meadows	Lawrence Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	0	X					3,538		3,538	0	2,350	2,273	0	1,513	6,136
Chestnut-Dale	Robert Sluder, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	8	X					2,745		2,745	0	980	970	0	732	2,683
Cranberry	Mildred Green, Cranberry, N. C.		X			4 1/2	3 1/2	5,248		5,248	0	1,710	0	0	3,258	4,968
Crossnore	Mrs. Lois Clark, Crossnore, N. C.	30	X			65mo.	15mo.	21,239	704	21,943	30,000	5,855	62,935	0	6,223	69,746
Elk Park	David Heaton, Rt. 1, Roan Mountain, Tenn.		X					5,979	0	5,979	0	3,127	750	0	1,921	6,935
Elk Valley	Mrs. Floy Aldridge, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.		X					5,649	0	5,649	0	2,210	1,614	0	1,404	5,228
Fairview	Jeff Woody, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.		X					2,110	0	2,110	0	1,141	836	0	230	2,207
Fall Creek	Mrs. Laura Parlier, Elk Park, N. C.	5	X					5,205	0	5,205	0	3,064	0	0	1,234	4,298
Green Valley	Robert McClellan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.		X									740			1.286	2.026
Henson Creek	Lee Burleson, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	18	X					4,105	0	4,105	0	1,946	800	0	485	3,232
Jonas Ridge	Charles Freeman, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	5	X			5	10 mo.	9,472	0	9,472	2,000	3,510	0	0	6,026	95,036
Minneapolis	Miss Joy Grindstaff, Minneapolis, N. C.		X					7,520	0	7,520	0	2,422	0	0	458	2 881
Mt. Pleasant	Virgil Blalock, Newland, N. C.	3	X			25		6,151	1,279	7,430	0	1,650	0	0	183	2 148
Newland	Bruce Daniels, Newland, N. C.		X					36,793	0	36,793	59.000	7,116	0	13,249	7,420	27,785
Oak Grove	McDonald Burleson, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.		X					7,178	0	7,178	0	3,450	0	0	3,168	6,618
Pilgrim	Judy Sluder, Rt. 2, Roan Mountain, Tenn.		X					2,695	0	2,695	0	1,200	204	0	399	1.803
Pineola	Maurice Lindecamp, Pineola, N. C.	10	X			5						2,600	800	0	0	3,400
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.		X					10,398	0	10,398	0	4,935	0	1,908	2 824	9,667
Pleasant Valley	Walter Hicks, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.	2	X									494	1,570	0	191	2,255
Powdermill	Jack Buchanan, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.		X					3 765	0	3,765	0	2.400	1,538	0	645	4,583
Roaring Creek	Veral Hughes, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	10	X					5,200	0	5,200	0	4,420	1,874	0	854	7,149
Stamey Town	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	10	X					5,468	200	5,668	0	1,170	3,956	0	3.518	8,544

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP YEAR ENDING _____ 1971
(Month & Day)

Association

State

Associational Treasurer

Address City State Zip

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	12	13			14	15	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110
		Number of tithers	Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year. None	Forward Program	Dither	Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.		X			8	2	4,554	0	4,554	0	420	330	1,020	598	2,368
Valley Haven	Gail Draughon, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	9	X					3,671	0	3,671	0	948	190	815	929	2,883
Whites Memorial	Onie Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	14	X					6,052	0	6,052	0	2,595	0	0	3,189	5,784
Yellow Mountain	Charlie Stafford, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	20	X					15,219	0	15,219	0	4,420	12,000	0	200	16,620

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1971 — YEAR ENDING July 31, 1971 (Month & Day)

Association: Avery
State: North Carolina
Associational Superintendent of Missions (Associational Missionary): Rev. E. O. Bustle
Address: Rt. 2 — City: Newland — State: N. C. — Zip: 28657

		111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125
		CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS			COOPERATIVE MISSIONS											
CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: Hospitals	Designated: Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	Total Cooperative mission expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
Aaron	Carl N. Holden, Montezuma, N. C. 28653	0	0	0	120	0			50		39					209
Beech Mountain	Allen Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.	0	0	0	256	75					40	166		49	520	520
Belview	Doris Shell, Cranberry, N. C.	0	0	0	17	0	100	0	50		110	100	50	225		752
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland N. C.	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	213	100			332	332
Chestnut Dale	Jack Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	202	100		160	462	462
Cranberry	Elbert McCoury, Cranberry, N. C.	0	0	0	150	120	21	135	135	25	51	42	29		708	708
Crossnore	Lois Clark, Crossnore, N. C.	0	0	0	780	180	16	146	475	51	54	85	0	0	1,787	1,787
Elk Park	Mrs. John Hayward, Elk Park, N. C.	0	0	0	598	120	130	60	104	25	75	25	25	50	1,137	1,137
Elk Valley	Lonnie Aldridge, Rt. 1, Banner Elk, N. C.	0	0	0							130	125		266	521	521
Fairview	Mrs. Jeff Woody, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.	0	0	0							20	20	20	203	263	263
Fall Creek	Glen Jones, Elk Park, N. C.	0	0	0	22			1,059	473		200	125			1,879	1,879
Green Valley	Mrs. Fritz Hall, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine, N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	181	214	0	75	0	58	0	529	529
Henson Creek	Delora Buchanan, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	25		200	250	250
Jonas Ridge	Virginia Franklin, Rt. 2, Newland N. C.	0	0	0	367	139	25	141	115	25	50	80	35	104	1,082	1,082
Minneapolis	Randall Fletcher, Minneapolis, N. C.	0	0	0							355	182			538	538
Mt. Pleasant	R. F. Horney, Newland, N.C.	0	0	0	0	0				160	210	210	260	546	1,388	1,388
Newland	Ruth Calloway, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	1,907	226	160	143	271	60	163	110	340	79	3,459	3,459
Oak Grove	Lisa Turbyfill, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	0	23	0	15	15	0	82	94	0	0	229	229
Pilgrim	Mack Cook Rt. 1, Elk Park N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pineola	Tina McNeeley Pineola N. C.	0	0	0	120	0	0	0	330	0	0	50	0	0	500	500
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis. Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	0	20	0	79	0	550	134	83	0	0	866	866
Pleasant Valley	Teresa Hicks, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	11	0	0	26	26
Powdermill	Marlene Blalock, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	0						91	0	0	25	116	116
Roaring Creek	Charlotte Hollman, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0							65				65	65
Stamey Town	Mrs. Simon Fronklin, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	100	50	0	43	53	0	0	25	0	286	557	557

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1971

Association

State

Associational Superintendent of Missions (Associational Missionary)

Address City State Zip

YEAR ENDING _____ 1971 (Month & Day)

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	111 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: Money paid out on new construction during the year	112 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: All other church sponsored mission expenditures	113 CHURCH SPONSORED MISSIONS: Total church sponsored mission expenditures	114 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Cooperative Program	115 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Associational missions program	116 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: State missions	117 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	118 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: SBC Foreign Missions (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	119 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: Christian education (schools, etc.)	120 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: Childrens homes (cash plus goods)	121 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: Hospitals	122 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: Homes for the aged	123 COOPERATIVE MISSIONS: Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temperance League, etc.)	124 Total Cooperative mission expenditures	125 Grand Total Mission expenditures
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Floyd Banner, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.	0	0	0	156	70	0	0	0	0	52	56			334	334
Valley Haven	Phyllis Berry, Banner Elk, N. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	45	0	256	356	356
Whites Memorial	Dora Phillips, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.	0	0	0	34	0	0	26	0	0	25	30	0	160	275	275
Yellow Mountain	Russell Stafford, Plumtree, N. C.	0	1,457	1,457												1,457

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION YEAR ENDING 1971 (Month & Day)

Association

State

Moderator

Address City State Zip

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	19 No. church-type missions started during the year	20 No. church-type missions currently operating	21 No. other-type missions started during the year	22 No. other-type missions currently operating	23–27 Committees existing during past year: Church property and space	Stewardship	History	Missions	Public Relations	28–38 Does church have or observe?: Kindergarten	Library	Recreation staff	State paper in budget	Ch. Council-Cabinet	Weekday child care	Television ministry	Radio ministry	Department or class for the mentally retarded	Life Commitment Sunday	Race Relations Sunday	39 Does church participate in Annuity Board prog.?: Y	N	If yes, check staff positions included: Pastor	Assistant pastor	Minister of education	Music director or Song leader	Other staff	40 Does church plan or currently have a new building program within the year?: Y	N	41 Number ordained for Gospel ministry during the year	42 Number of deacons	43 Number of college students baptized during the year
Whites Memorial	Hubert Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.					X						X											X								X		7	
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchanan, Plumtree, N. C.		2		1																		X								X		6	

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION YEAR ENDING July 31, 1971 (Month & Day)

Association: Avery
State: North Caralina
Moderator: Rev. Rabert Lindley
Address: City: Elk Park State: N. C. Zip:

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES (INCLUDE ZIP CODE)	19 No. church-type missions started during the year	20 No. church-type missions currently operating	21 No. other-type missions started during the year	22 No. other-type missions currently operating	23–27 Committees existing during past year: Church property and space	Stewardship	History	Missions	Public Relations	28–38 Does church have or observe?: Kindergarten	Library	Recreation staff	State paper in budget	Ch. Council/Cabinet	Weekday child care	Television ministry	Radio ministry	Department or class for the mentally retarded	Life Commitment Sunday	Race Relations Sunday	39 Does church participate in Annuity Board prog.? Y	N	If yes, check staff positions included: Pastor	Assistant pastor	Minister of education	Music director or Song leader	Other staff	40 Does church plan or contemplate a major building program within the year? Y	N	41 Number ordained for Gospel ministry during the year	42 Number of deacons	43 Number of college students baptized during the year
Aaran	Edward Sudderth, Mantezuma, N. C.										X			X									X							X	0		
Beech Mauntain	Roy McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.																						X								X	0		
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry, N. C.											X											X							X		0	4	
Big Meadaws	Hamer Callaway, Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.																						X								X	0	3	0
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.																						X								X	0	5	0
Cranberry	Elbert McCaury, Cranberry, N. C.																						X								X	1		0
Crassnore	Jimmy Vance, Jr., Rt. 3, Newland, N. C.													X									X								X	0	9	0
Elk Park	Dewey Mann, Elk Park N. C.																						X								X		3	1
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire Rt. 1, Elk Park N. C.										X	X											X								X			
Fairview	Dewey Hughes, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.																						X								X			
Fall Creek	Tray Crawfard, Elk Park, N. C.																						X								X			
Green Valley	Fritz Hall, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine, N. C.																						X								X			
Hensan Creek	Homer Burlesan, Spruce Pine, N. C.																						X								X		3	
Janas Ridge	Grady Singletan, Janas Ridge, N. C.																					X			X						X		5	
Minneapalis	Edward Grindstaff, Minneapalis, N. C.																						X								X		2	
Mt. Pleasant	Nat Daniels, Newland, N. C.	1				X																	X								X		5	
Newland	Rudd Bare, Newland, N. C.																						X								X			
Oak Grave	Clarence Jahnsan, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.																						X								X		7	
Pilgrim	Navel Caak, Rt. 1, Elk Park, N. C.																																	
Pleasant Hill	Earl Green																															3		
Pawdermill	T. J. Green, Rt. 1, Newland																																	
Raaring Creek	Verl Hughes, Rt. 1, Newland, N. C.										X																					2		
Stamey Tawn	Daymond Pritchard, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.																																	
Sugar Mauntain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland, N. C.																																	
Valley Haven	W. M. Blair, Banner Elk, N. C.																																3	

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BELVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH AND

BEECH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH

August 3 and 4, 1972

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. Lee Pittman
Vice Moderator ..... Rev. Homer Murdock
Clerk-Treasurer ..... Mrs. Johnnie Shell

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Constitution

ARTICLE I - NAME

This body shall be known as the Avery Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

It is the purpose of the Association to provide an Organization of Cooperation for the Missionary Baptist Churches affiliated with it and to encourage them to faithfulness in every endeavor which we shall undertake together in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and to encourage them in the support of the Cooperative Program of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall consist of duly elected messengers from the membership of the various churches affiliated with the body, known as the Avery Baptist Association. (1) Each church having a membership of one-hundred (100) or less shall be entitled to three (3) messengers, and for each additional fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, an additional messenger; (2) The pastors who are members of the affiliated churches; (3) The duly elected officers of the Association; (4) The members of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV - AFFILIATED CHURCHES

The Missionary Baptist Churches which have petitioned for membership and by vote of the Association are considered to be in fellowship with the purpose and undertakings of this body, shall comprise the list of affiliated churches. The vote of the Association to extend fellowship or to withdraw fellowship shall be a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLES V AND VI - POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the Churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council, nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way; yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety, and intelligence of the body it may justly acclaim for itself, for its objects and recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes unorthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter more than two (2) successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats or threats with contempt its objects and requirements. Any church desiring membership in the Avery Baptist Association shall place their petition with the Executive Committee, at least three (3) months prior to the annual meeting of the Association. The petition shall furnish all information on the designated form which is furnished by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES OF THE CHURCH

It shall be the duty of the church to elect messengers and to insist their attendance at all sessions of the given Associational Meeting. It shall be the duty of the church to have their Associational letter read and approved and sufficient funds included to pay for requested number of minutes at cost of printing; The letter shall be mailed to clerk of the Association ten (10) days prior to time for the Association to meet.

ARTICLE VIII - MEETINGS

The meetings of the Avery Baptist Association shall be held annually, beginning on the first Thursday and Friday of the month of August, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE IX - OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Assistant Clerk - Treasurer, Historian, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Executive Committee. These officers shall be members of affiliated Baptist Churches and duly elected by the various organizations, subject to approval of the Association.

Their active term of office shall begin at the beginning of the new church year on October 1st, following their election in August, and continue as long as they are elected and approved by the body.

Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to act in executive capacity at all meetings; according to the principles of a presiding officer.

Vice Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Clerk - Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful records of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other appointed members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. As treasurer, he or she shall keep record of all funds coming into his or her possession and an account of disbursement.

Assistant Clerk - Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk - Treasurer to assist the Clerk - Treasurer in keeping records, publishing records and to act in the absence of the Clerk - Treasurer.

Historian: It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

The various heads of organizations namely, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Missions Committee and Chairman of Evangelism shall preside over the activities of these ministries and promote the working of same.

The Associational Missionary shall assist in all the mission activities of the Association and assist in all possible ways with each ministry of the Association, and specifically when requested by the Association.

The Executive Committee shall consist of (1) the officers of the Association; (2) the pastor of each church; provided he is a member of the church he represents; (3) a laymember, nominated and elected by the church, from the churches who do not have a pastor as member to represent them.

The duties of the Executive Committee shall be to transact whatever business may require attention of the Association between sessions, provided that a quorum of ten (10) be present, which action shall be binding upon the Association (subject to their approval at annual session). This committee shall meet quarterly. This committee shall submit a full report of its work to the Association at each annual session, together with recommendations for the promotion and extension of the work, including the annual Associational budget.

In event that any office, constituted by any article herein, becomes vacant during the Associational year, said office may be filled for the interim by appointment of the Executive Committee.

This constitution may be altered or amended by two-thirds vote of messengers present at any annual meeting; provided such alteration or amendment shall be submitted in writing at the first day's session and acted upon at the second day's session.

Roberts Rules of Order, in as far as applicable, shall be followed in the governing of the Avery Baptist Association.

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

AARON: John Hayes.
BEECH MOUNTAIN: Kermit Hagaman, Dee Moore, and Allen Church.
BELVIEW: Walter Gouge, Dave Beers, Junior and Rom Huffman.
BIG MEADOWS: Mrs. Delzie Stamey, Mrs. Ada Johnson, and Mr. Homer Calloway.
CHESTNUT DALE: Mrs. Frank Hicks, Mrs. Silas Johnson, and Mr. Herman Huffman.
CRANBERRY: Mrs. Edith Brown, Mrs. Nell McCoury, Mrs. Rosa Mayberry, and Ernest Turbyfill.
CROSSNORE: Mrs. George Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. John Webb, Miss Susie Calhoun, Mrs. Edna Cuthbertson, Mrs. Lucille Johnson, Mrs. Lester Clark, Miss Owana Clark, and John Calhoun.
ELK PARK: Rev. and Mrs. Robert Davis, Mrs. C.A. Bowlick, Mrs. John Hayward, Mrs. Buster Freeman, and Mr. David Massee.
ELK VALLEY: Rev. Earl Carver, Mr. Fred Blair, and Mr. Luther Riddle.
FAIRVIEW: Mr. Jake Davis, Mrs. Addie Davis, and Mrs. Avery Buchanan.
FALL CREEK: Maude Mitchell, Herby Smith, Beulah Dugger, Troy Crawford, Ruth McCloud, and Allen Trivette.
GREEN VALLEY: Fritz Hall, Grace Hall, Kelley Ollis, Wise Hall, and Goldie Grindstaff.
HENSON CREEK: Mr. Lee Burleson, Mrs. Jimmy Self, and Rev. Paul Pittman.
JONAS RIDGE: Mr. L.M. Shell, Mrs. Juanita Rose, and Mrs. Virginia Franklin.
MINNEAPOLIS: Randall Fletcher, Champ Young, Fred Buchanan, and Mrs. Virginia Young.
MT. PLEASANT: Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Blalock, Helma Daniels, and Jerry Boles.
NEWLAND: Bruce Daniels, Mrs. Bob Banner, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Tanner, Mrs. Howard Turbyfill, Mrs. Ruth Calloway, Pat Eller, and W.M. Abel.
OAK GROVE: Rev. and Mrs. Earl Carver, Jr.
PILGRIM: Georgia Williams, Edward Cook, and J.D. Cook.
PINEOLA: Francis Vance, Marilyn Smith, Bruce Smith, Maurice Lindecamp, Teena McNeely, B.W. McNeely, and Bessie Ledford.
PLEASANT HILL: Mr. Earsel Buchanan, Mrs. B.G. McMahan, Mrs. Ira Ward, Mrs. Homer Pittman, Mrs. Carl Buchanan, and Mrs. Verne Ollis.
PLEASANT VALLEY: Frankie Bare, Francis Lindley, and Betty Bare.

POWDERMILL: George Watson, Myrtle Watson, Will McKinney and Odie McKinney.
STAMEYTOWN: Vida Carpenter, Robin Carpenter, and Elizabeth Franklin.
SUGAR MOUNTAIN: Rev. Alfred C. Jones, and Mr. Gurney Duckworth.
VALLEY HAVEN: Coucil Gilliams, Joe B. Perry, Jimmy Street, Stewart Berry, Pat Hodges, and Junior Gilliams.
WHITES MEMORIAL: Mrs. Onie Carpenter, Mrs. Pearl Braswell, Mr. Randy Carpenter, Mr. Arnold Lawse, Mr. Lantz Huffman, Mrs. Mildred Huffman, and Ted Burleson.
YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Mr. Frank Wiseman, Mr. Paul Buchanan, and Mrs. Paul Buchanan.

Proceedings

61st ANNUAL SESSION

August 3, 1972, the Avery Baptist Association met at the Belview Church for its annual meeting. At 9:30 o'clock a.m., the Sixty-First Session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Robert Lindley, Mr. Kenneth Johnson, Associational Music Director, led the congregation in singing the hymn, "Standing on the Promises." Rev. Lloyd Ramsey gave the morning devotion, reading Acts 17:25.

Motion was made and adopted that the messengers of the churches be seated for the purpose of transacting business. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the clerk. Twenty-five churches answered the roll call. A motion was made that the printed program be adopted. The motion was second and carried.

Mr. Lindley appointed the following committees to report tomorrow:

Resolution Committee: Mrs. Francis Vance, Chairman; Mrs. Mason Carpenter, and Mrs. Homer Murdock.
Finance Committee: Mrs. Bettie Hooks, Chairman; Junior Vannoy, Bobby Willis, Kenneth Johnson, and Lance Huffman.
Missions Committee: Dr. Shelby Vance, Chairman; Mrs. Johnnie McCoury, and Robert Lindley.
Time, Place, Preacher Committee: Robert Davis, Lloyd Ramsey, and Rev. Earl Carver, Jr.

Committees to report next session were as follows:

History ..... Mrs. Bob Banner
Sunday School ..... Rev. Robert Davis
Church Training ..... Mrs. Bettie Hooks
Vacation Bible School ..... Mrs. Robert Davis
Christian Education ..... Rev. Roby Painter
Temperance and Morals ..... Rev. Richard Porter
Hospital ..... Rev. Clifford Phillips
Cooperative Program ..... Rev. Jerry Burleson
Christian Literature ..... Mrs. Nell McCoury
Evangelism ..... Rev. Lloyd Ramsey
Children's Homes ..... Rev. Dean Bare
Homes for the Aging ..... John Hayes
Music ..... Kenneth Johnson
Brotherhood ..... Robert Lindley
W.M.U. ..... Mrs. E.O. Bustle
Obituaries ..... Mrs. J.C. Brown
Stewardship ..... Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill
Foreign Missions ..... Rev. B.G. McMahan

If for any reason, the above cannot serve, please notify the moderator of next session.

Mr. Lindley brought it to the attention of the body that we had no Brotherhood Director for the coming year. E.O. Bustle nominated Robert Lindley. There were no other nominations, so Robert Lindley was elected by proclamation.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

Moderator: Rev. Lee Pittman

Vice Moderator: Rev. Homer Murdock

Clerk - Treasurer: Mrs. Johnnie Shell

A recognition of new pastors in the Association was conducted by Rev. E.O. Bustle. The following new pastors were introduced: Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill, Rev. B.G. McMahan, Rev. Jimmy Upton, Rev. Clifford Phillips, Rev. Earl Carver, Sr., and Rev. Jerry Burleson.

An offering was taken for the expense of the Association in the amount of $74.24.

The report of "Cooperative Program" was submitted by Rev. Lee Pittman. This report was adopted. Mr. Robert H. Bruhn, Administrative Assistant to the General Secretary - Treasurer of the North Carolina State Baptist Convention, spoke to this report.

Rev. B.G. McMahan gave the "Foreign Missions" report. This report was adopted.

"Children's Homes" report was given by Rev. Joe Puett. After his report was adopted, he introduced Clyde Martin, Director of Asheville Maternity Home, who spoke to his report. He told of the progress that had been made thus far at the Broyhill Children's Home at Clyde, N.C. Mr. Martin asked for the continuing support to the Cooperative Program and the Thanksgiving Offering since these are the chief supports of the Children's Homes.

Since there was no one to give the report of "Homes for the Aging," the "Christian Education" report was moved up to take its place on the program. Rev. Roby Painter submitted the report on "Christian Education" and it was adopted. Sloan Guy, representative from Wake Forest University, spoke to this report.

Rev. William Abel was not present to give the report on "Baptist Hospital," but there was a representative from the Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem. Calvin Knight spoke of the changes in the program of the hospital. He stated that the admission procedure had changed; that no longer can a pastor refer a patient - that it must be done through a local doctor. He urged our churches to continue their support so that needy patients can receive care and treatment.

Mr. Gordon Maddery, Executive Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation, was given the time remaining for his talk on the "North Carolina Baptist Foundation." His report was adopted.

The annual sermon, "Living in the Spirit of Christ," was delivered by Rev. Joe Puett. The meeting was adjourned for lunch.

After a delicious meal, prepared by the host church, the afternoon session was opened with devotions by Rev. Earl Carver, Sr.

Mrs. Robert Davis gave the report on "Vacation Bible Schools." This report was adopted. Rev. Richard Porter gave the report on "Temperance and Morals." This report was adopted. The report on "Evangelism" was given by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey. This report was adopted. Marse Grant, editor of the BIBLICAL RECORDER gave his report. This report was adopted.

Mrs. Bettie Hooks gave the report on "Church Training." This report was adopted after being complimented as an outstanding associational report.

Kenneth Johnson gave the report on "Church Music." He stated that there are some recordings and other materials available for churches to use in the Association. These can be borrowed by contacting him. His report was adopted.

The remaining time of the program was given to Mr. Guy Cain for his report on the "Annuity Board." The meeting was adjourned until 6:00 o'clock p.m. the next day.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 1972

This session opened at Beech Mountain Baptist Church at 6:00 o'clock p.m. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Robert Lindley. Rev. Lawrence Hagaman, pastor of the host church, gave the devotion; using for his scripture St. John 15.

The treasurer's report was given, reporting a balance from the previous year of $66.03. There was some discussion on being more aware of the rules of parliamentary procedure, and Rev. Joe Puett reminded the body of the rules of order that had been previously adopted. A motion was made by Rev. Puett that the clerk purchase two ROBERTS RULE OF ORDER books. One for the use of the moderator and one copy for the clerk to have at all executive board meetings. The motion was carried.

Kenneth Johnson led the congregation in the hymn, "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship" while the evening offering was being taken. (The offering amounted to $42.85.)

Rev. Robert Davis, who had been acting as Brotherhood Director, stated that the Brotherhood had not done very much action; that they had met in six different churches for discussions but nothing to report.

The WMU report was given by Mrs. E.O. Bustle. After the report was adopted, Mrs. J.T. Tanner spoke to the report. She closed by stating that Women's Missionary Union has opportunity to sow love instead of hate and that the WMU can be the link between the church and the outside world.

Rev. E.O. Bustle, Associational Missionary, gave the report on "Home and Associational Missions." He challenged churches to give an offering on August 27, which closes the Week of Prayer for Associational Missions. His report was adopted.

The "Stewardship" report was given by Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill, and adopted by the body.

The "Sunday School" report was given by Rev. Robert Davis. He made a motion that the body adopt the minutes of the Sunday School Convention as his written report. The motion was carried and the report adopted. Mr. Davis stated that there would be a "Sunday School Clinic" on October 15, at Aaron Church. He urged all churches to have their officers and teachers present because there would be State workers instructing.

There was no "History" report. Mrs. Johnnie McCoury gave her report on "Christian Literature." The report was adopted. The meeting was adjourned for a few minutes of refreshment.

After refreshments served by the ladies of the host church, the meeting was opened by the hymn "Loyalty to Christ." Rev. Carson Eggers delivered the evening sermon, "Preacher's Business," using for the scripture 2 Tim. 2:4.

Following the sermon was the report of the "Time, Place, and Preacher Committee," given by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey. Time for the next annual session: August 2 and 3, 1973. Place: First day at Big Meadows Baptist Church, and second day at Chestnut Dale Baptist Church (evening session). Preacher: First day, Rev. B.G. McMahan, alternate: Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill; second day: Rev. Jimmy Upton, alternate: Rev. Homer Murdock.

The "Resolution" was given by Mrs. Francis Vance. (The "Resolution" is printed with the reports.)

Mrs. Bettie Hooks, Mission Finance Committee Chairman, gave the report on "Finances." The report was adopted.

The "Obituaries" were given by Mrs. J.C. Brown. The report was adopted.

Rev. Robert Lindley, retiring Moderator, presented the gavel to Rev. Lee Pittman. While the congregation sang "The Home Over There," Rev. Pittman and the other preachers present stood at the front of the church where they were given the "right hand of fellowship" by the members present. The meeting was adjourned.

Reports

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

The Cooperative Program is a part of your tithes and offerings given through your church, which shares this part with a lost world. Thus your dedicated life and a part of your day-to-day labor goes toward witnessing to a lost world.

Christ said in Matthew 28:19-20 "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." The Cooperative Program is sharing your love of God through 6,000 state, home and foreign missionaries. Last year they were instrumental in bringing more than 66,000 people to Christ, who in turn followed Him through the waters of baptism.

The Cooperative Program is busy training capable leaders by helping students with scholarships in more than 800 Christian schools with more than 100,000 pupils around the world.

The Cooperative Program is ministering to the needs of the sick through 21 Baptist hospitals and 105 clinics in North Carolina as well as in foreign lands. You helped more than 1,000,000 patients last year through this means. The Cooperative Program aids in bringing shelter, food, clothing and other necessities of life to 8,000 homeless children plus more than 2,000 elderly people through Children's Homes and Homes for the Aging throughout the world.

Last year 1,020 Baptist churches in North Carolina increased Cooperative Program giving by 10% or more over what they contributed the previous year.

Last year the Avery County Association had only an increase of $320.00 through the Cooperative Program with only one more church in the Avery County Association contributing. Can we do better in the Avery Association? Will you do two things?

1. Will you try to lead the church where you serve to make a worthy increase in Cooperative giving next year?
2. Will you pray for your missionaries and other Cooperative Program causes each day?

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Lee Pittman

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

In Matthew 28:19, the Bible says "Go ye therefore and teach all nations." Acts 1:8 says "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea and in Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the Earth." Our Church Covenant continues we will support the spread of the Gospel through all nations. We are thankful that we are in 72 countries as of now and more are opening up. We also have approximately 2,500 Foreign Missionaries at work. This means that it takes a lot of money to keep them there.

For an example of what we are doing and the cost of it let us look at India.

Christian endeavor has given them over 150 colleges, 2,177 schools, 214 Technical Schools, 153 Teachers' Training Schools, 620 hospitals, 670 Dispensaries, 86 Leoparsy Centers, 713 Orphanages, 87 Homes for the Aged plus other institutions.

Are we of the Avery Association doing our part? We are grateful for the $17,236.00 given for Mission causes in 1971, which I might point out was approximately $2,000.00 less than 1970. We are seventh from the bottom in our state in Mission giving. I would like to ask you: Is there any room to slack up or back up in the spread of the Gospel?

Respectfully submitted,
B.G. McMahan

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.

The services of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina, Inc. have affected the lives of more than 3,200 people in a significant way during the past year. The Homes provided care and related services to a total of 1,322 children. Of this number, 1,003 received continuing care, while 319 received casework, counseling and referral services.

Members of the staff maintained a close working relationship with 1,880 adults while also working with the children. These adults were mainly parents and custodians of the children involved.

Services to children and their families are provided throughout North Carolina from three primary centers of operation, namely; Mills Home at Thomasville; Kennedy Home at Kinston and Broyhill Home at Waynesville-Clyde. In addition to the above named group care facilities are Regional Social Work Centers at Asheville, Charlotte, Raleigh, Fayetteville, and Pembroke, which are likewise vital to the network of services.

Thousands of people make possible the ministry of the Children's Homes through their interests, prayers and support in many ways. As the Baptist Churches throughout North Carolina are blessed with members who enlarge their stewardship, the Baptist Children's Homes will receive their fair share to enlarge their influence and ministry. It is the dedicated purpose of the agency to keep faith with those who express confidence and trust in what is being done for neglected, dependent and homeless children.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J.R. Puett

ASSOCIATIONAL BAPTIST FOUNDATION REPORT

The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., is a charitable corporation. It was chartered on November 24, 1920, under the laws of the State of North Carolina. As a charitable corporation, it and its donors presently have certain tax savings.

It was created by the Convention for the purpose of procuring endowment funds and for administering such funds, for all institutions and agencies, owned and controlled by the Convention. It is independent of the causes it serves, but committed to their best interests. It is not a competitive agency, but a service agency dedicated to the task of undergirding all of our Baptist work.

Any property owner who wishes to do so - Baptist or non-Baptist, resident or

non-resident, man or woman, young or old, can use the Baptist Foundation through cash, securities (stocks, bonds, notes, mortgages); real property (farms, woodland, houses, lots); and any and every other kind of property, real or personal. These gifts can be in the form of a living trust, gift annuity, or by bequests in wills.

The Baptist Foundation stands ready at all times to aid individuals in making adequate preparation to use of the foregoing methods in providing for any agency or institution fostered by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, or any of the Southern Baptist Convention agencies or institutions.

When one uses the Baptist Foundation, one is EXTENDING HIS STEWARDSHIP IN PERPETUITY. This can and does bring a great deal of satisfaction and joy to the person who uses the Foundation for this purpose.

If you have any further questions or need a representative to visit you, you may contact The North Carolina Baptist Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 26508, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Campbell College, Chowan College, Gardner-Webb College, Mars Hill College, Meredith College, Wake Forest University, and Wingate College are our Baptist Colleges. They have an enrollment of over 12,000 students. They receive support from the Baptist College Day Offering. Also, the Cooperative Program is a source of income. Student tuition pays about one-third of the cost of operating the colleges.

These colleges are doing a great work. In them a student can get an education in a Christian atmosphere. Students who need financial aid are given every possible help.

Let us encourage our students to attend our colleges and let us continue to give our financial support.

Respectfully submitted,
Roby L. Painter

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STUDENT WORK

(for Associational Annuals)

The year 1972 marks the 50th Anniversary of Campus Ministry among Southern Baptists. The Baptist Student Union and the staff of the Department of Student Work are a specialized focus of the denomination as it seeks to work with those in the academic community.

There is a Baptist Student Union ministry on some 30 campuses in North Carolina. In many of these situations local ministers and laymen serve in a part-time or volunteer capacity in order to make the ministry possible. Fourteen campuses are served by full-time campus ministers.

The ministry on these different campuses finds varying organizational expressions but each unit operates within a basic philosophy and guidelines decided upon by the Convention. The building of Christian community is perhaps the major emphasis of the campus ministry. Worship, study, service, witness and fellowship are other major facets of the work.

Two major state-wide student meetings are held each year with approximately 300 students participating in each of these conferences. Various student mission projects are conducted and financially supported by students each summer. These

projects send students into the churches in youth ministry, into the inner-city, and into resort areas.

Other state-wide activities include evangelism clinics, area retreats, a basketball tournament, a conference for church workers with college students, a retreat for high school seniors, and a conference for international students. The department also cooperates with churches in the "On-to-College" and "Student Night at Christmas" emphases. Some of the projects are sponsored jointly with the program or department within the Convention: WMU, Youth Ministries, Sunday School, Resort Ministries, etc.

Those who serve as your ministers through the Department of Student Work really would like to share in worship services of special emphases or with small groups in the churches and associations of the Baptist State Convention.

James Y. Greene, Director
Department of Student Work

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible Schools give us a wonderful opportunity for reaching not only our youth and children for Christ, but many of the parents and older people. Our records show that annually 300,000 to 400,000 persons not enrolled in Sunday School, are reached through Vacation Bible School.

Twenty-three of our churches are reporting Bible Schools this year, with a total enrollment of 1,030. We had 13 churches represented at our clinic at Belview Church in April. We are looking forward to having a full team of workers going to our State Clinic at Wingate in January.

Let us keep working and praying to make our Bible Schools better next year, and try to win our children to the Lord before they are lured too far into the things of the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Davis

TEMPERANCE AND MORALS

Advertisers are trying to convince us that the purpose of life is the satisfying of a particular psychological or physical need or craving, but we know better. We need to stop and ask what our bodies are for. Why did God make them the way that they are? We decide that the important thing is to adorn and indulge our bodies, to give them pleasure, and to make it as easy for them as possible. Our bodies were not made for any such purpose, so they fall apart in the face of all the attention. These mortal tents we inhabit are a lot more than passion and plumbing; they are masterpieces of creation and most of the time they are marvelous places of residence. The lungs are for breathing; the legs are for standing and walking; the eyes are for seeing; the teeth are for chewing; the stomach is for digesting; the arms and hands are for taking hold of things; and the reproductive organs are for reproducing. Today millions of people are existing on the face of the earth without a clue as to what their bodies are for. They breathe, but they have nothing to breathe for; they chew and swallow to stay alive without knowing why. They walk, but have no place to go. They bear children, but their children give them more pain and worry than pleasure. In 1 Corinthians 3:16 Paul says: "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that

the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?". But people do not know this. They do not know their Bibles so they do not know what to do with themselves.

Suppose we were to turn a child loose in a gigantic computer installation. He would not know which buttons to push so he would do everything wrong. In the same way we humans let our eyes look at the wrong things; our hands touch the wrong people; our mouths speak the wrong words; our legs take us to the wrong places; and sooner or later both our minds and our bodies are in deep trouble. We are tenants in our apartments of flesh. God wishes to be Landlord in residence, but he will not move in unless and until he is invited. When he is invited and he comes in, then he takes charge of the body. This is when the body begins to function the way it was built to function. We see, hear, breathe, taste, touch and do the things that are pleasing to Him. They converge into a beautiful pattern and take the body in direction that will make it productive and useful. The Lord Jesus Christ taught us that the human body is made to welcome Him, to love Him and to live in Him. The human body is made for love. The lungs breathe so we can love; the larynx and tongue form words of love; the legs take us on deeds of love; the arms are for embracing in love. But not just love on the human level. People think human love is what life is all about, and what their bodies are all about. That is why so often they end their days in sorrow and in bitterness.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Richard Porter

EVANGELISM REPORT

We know that the Universal Task that Jesus left with his disciples was to evangelize the world, and I still believe that it is the church's responsibility to do that. Jesus said "go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." God has also said in Ezekiel "So thou, O son of man, I have set there a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me. When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die, if thou doest not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his inequity; but his blood will I require at thine hand."

In our evangelism effort this year, we ask each church in the Association for a minimum of $25.00. Out of thirty churches, twelve responded. I thank God for those. We appreciate the money, but money is not all we need. We need your prayers and we need you. God wants you to take every opportunity to help evangelize the world and this Association here in Avery County.

Out of the seven nights we met I believe there were six souls who came to the saving knowledge of Christ. I believe that the greatest task that God has ever given to man is leading lost souls to Christ. The divine obligation of soul winning rests without exception upon every child of God. Paul says "the love of Christ constraineth us."

Evangelism has its shining rewards, its spiritual compensation for the expenditure of blood, energy, time, talent, and life. In Daniel 12:3 it says "They that be wise shall shine at the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the star for ever and ever." So let us go into the world from here and say with John: "The spirit of the bride say come, and let him that heareth say come, and whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely."

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Lloyd T. Ramsey

BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT

The BIBLICAL RECORDER is nearing the 100,000 mark in circulation - thanks to churches and individuals all over the state who have helped to bring this about. Once this goal is reached, new ones will be set as part of a continuing effort to put the RECORDER in every Baptist home in North Carolina.

Not only in circulation progress, but in other ways this has been a good year for the RECORDER. During the year, Woodrow W. Hill, well-known pastor and writer, came with the RECORDER as field representative. He will be speaking in associations, churches, pastors' conferences and in other meetings all over the state. Thus he will join the editor in seeking to carry the RECORDER message to every corner of North Carolina.

This was also the year that the RECORDER went to computer. Because of the growing circulation, this had to be done.

As it has in the past, the RECORDER seeks to keep North Carolina Baptists informed on important issues. This is a heavy responsibility and the editor and his staff feel keenly the need of your prayers as they seek to be good stewards to North Carolina Baptists. If your church does not have the RECORDER in the budget, or if it does not have a club at all, please take the leadership in seeing that this situation is corrected in the coming year. The RECORDER will be 140 years old next January 18. Those responsible for its publication each week recommit themselves to this important ministry of the printed word.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Marse Grant, Editor
BIBLICAL RECORDER

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

Today we have a wealth of Christian Literature available to us. This is presented in various forms; Bibles, books, booklets, periodicals, leaflets, tracts, pictures, filmstrip and slides accompanied by printed information, musical compositions and many others. This material can be purchased from reliable book stores and denominational services at reasonable costs and much of it even rented from libraries with very little cost involved. Our own denominational services offer literature and study helps on any subject one would care to pursue. There are graded series for everyone in the family, from simple pictures and Bible story books to the depths of theology. In looking over our list of literature available from our Sunday School Board, one can hardly believe we are so fortunate as to have all this wonderful material prepared for our use in all phases of our church life. The writers, editors, artists and publishers have worked diligently and selected carefully and prayerfully in order to give us the very best.

Our Bibles are now presented in the most suitable print for all ages. We, also, have volumes of Braille which can be purchased at reasonable prices or rented from libraries for small fees.

If one has been so fortunate as to visit a publishing house and see the reams and reams of printed pages that we, as Cooperating Baptists, are able to send all over the world (with the exception of countries who do not permit this) a sense of joy fills the heart. People, the world over, hunger and thirst for good news and certainly the best of good news known to mankind can be found in the pages of the Holy Word and supporting Christian literature.

We hear much of undesirable literature and pornography but we hope to stamp this out with replacement of Christian literature and good reading habits. Let us read desirable books to our children and our neighbor's children from the time they begin to notice pictures. And, by the time they can read for themselves, they will be well on the way to choosing the best in literature. Keep good books handy for ready reading for all the family.

By reading, one can grow much spiritually and broaden one's knowledge of the need of Christ for all the peoples of the world. One will even be able to come to a fuller knowledge of Christ's will in their own life as they read and study the scriptures. "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." St. John 5:39, "These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so." Acts 17:11.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Johnnie B. McCoury

CHURCH TRAINING

It is with a joyful heart that we bring you greetings from Associational Church Training work. The year has been a blessing, as many have shown a great eagerness and awareness to grow in God's love. We had many opportunities to share with those of our sister churches, as well as workers in other phases of our work. Seven of our churches opened their door for study sessions of three nights each. There were individual sessions and opportunities to share thoughts, materials and prayers for a greater awakening among our people. We had a real night of fellowship and thought on "M" Night in the Cranberry Church. The church was filled to capacity, as we received an even greater challenge through Rev. Luther Osment, our Area Missionary. Cranberry won the banner with about half our churches being represented.

We appreciate the opportunity to share in Leadership Clinics with other associations, and Seminars with fellow workers all over the state. We didn't have our Church Training Meeting for election of officers in June, as it was tenatively set, due to some several conflicts. It will be Monday, August 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Mount Pleasant Church. Will you mark this date and make every effort to be there.

We are especially thankful for the growing work being done in some of our churches; and rather saddened by others, where there appears little concern for the depth of work we should be carrying on for The Master. Oft times we are blinded to needs around us simply because we fail to do as the Scripture teaches in 1 Peter 3:15 - "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear." An initial conversion, in which we relate to God, is one thing. Growing and deepening our relationship to Him is quite another.

True live is not based on fear, but on respect and appreciation. We will grow in our love for Him if we really appreciate what He has done for us in Christ. We will seek help through knowledge, understanding and prayer. God will give us wisdom to know the difference in changes needed and the courage to do it. He will grant us Grace to accept what is not intended for change as well. He alone is perfect love; as we accept His love into our life, our love grows, and we become more free.

Love is not something a man can create for himself; nor is it a product of the human heart. It is the response to the divine love of God. We turn to Christ for for-

giveness and Salvation. It is a necessity. There is no other way; but love too, is a necessity. God will not overlook absence of love in our life. Quite the opposite, for "he that loveth not, knoweth not God, for God is love." 1 John 4:8. We grow in Him as we express our love to others. "He that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God, and God in him." 1 John 4:16. Love is the key to unlocking deeper things of Him, whose very nature is love.

Birth is a necessity, but growth must follow. Growth in love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, humility and self-control. Love is the core of all growth. As it has been said, "only those lives so governed can demonstrate the reality of holiness." The birth of any Christian is only a beginning of the work of the church. It is as we grow that we realize the greater responsibilities that are ours. Are you interested in personal growth? What has brought you closer to God this week? Did you follow through with devotional plans? What has kept you from fellowship with God this week? Did you participate in a time of meaningful worship this week? Have you spent time in exploring your own abilities? What has Christ accomplished through you this week? Did you participate in a study group or training group; which led you to minister, discover talents, serve through the church? What has Christ accomplished through you this week?

It's never completed - continue your growth next week - and next week - and the next week. Let it not be said of your Christian life - "This man began to build, and was not able to finish." Luke 14:30.

Yours in Christ
Bettie Hooks

MUSIC REPORT

Kenneth Johnson

"Praise ye the Lord, Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in the firmament of His power." Psalms 150:1.

In our swift changing world with so many things in constant change, this basic of music as its use remains the same. It is one of our basic means of praising God and expressing our feelings to Him and man. This is not to say that change is "out." We need changes in our churches to fit the need of all the people. For instance, some with only a choir doing the singing is denying the opportunity of direct source of praise to other members. This isn't saying abolish the choir. Of course some churches only have congregation singing and need a choir for learning better singing, new music and etc.

The main event to help in the music in Avery Association was a School of Music held at Aaron Baptist Church July 17-21, with Mr. Phil D. Perrin of Gardner-Webb College as our leader. A class was held for youth, young people and adults and for directors. Mr. Perrin did an excellent job in all the classes and much was learned by those attending.

With help of the Executive Committee, I hope we will be able to present a new Director of Music by another year. I am not quitting or giving up but I do think that a change is good in bringing about new ideas and new ways in this particular position.

I have seen much change come about, but not as fast as I would like to see change in the right direction. We, in Avery, are slow to accept new ideas in our churches in comparision to the other surroundings in our environment. If changes were accepted in these surroundings at the rate they are in church, we would still be on horseback and using kerosene lamps. It's good to be slow to accept an idea or

change, but don't trash it until you weigh it fully or give it a try. In the year ahead, God grant you a song.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Our Annual WMU Meeting was held at Pineola Baptist Church on May 8, 1972. There were 102 present and 11 churches represented. The guest speakers were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mitchiner, who showed slides of their work in many mission fields. The Jonas Ridge Girls in Action presented a drama, which was very meaningful.

The next Annual Meeting will be the second Monday night in May at Stamey Town Baptist Church. Mrs. J.R. Puett gave the prayer of dedication for the WMU Officers, who were all re-elected to serve for another year. Dr. S.W. Vance gave a very challenging devotion.

We had two council meetings to plan our work for the year. Also we had a WMU Leadership Conference to help us do more effective work. State WMU Workers Miss Kathyrn Bullard and Miss Bernice Pomphon led the conference assisted by our Associational WMU Officers. We had several WMU Promotional Clinics in some of the churches and had three Mission Studies. Some of the ladies attended the Associational Workshop at Mundo Vista last fall.

It has been a good year. We have 244 enrolled in our Women's Missionary Union which includes the Youth Organizations. We have some new Girls in Action and one new Baptist Women's Organization. I am thankful for our WMU Ladies of Avery Association, for their wonderful cooperation, and for the good work they are doing in the Association and individual churches.

May we unite in a greater effort to organize mission work in more of our churches. How will people learn about mission work if we as the WMU and Brotherhood do not teach them? The fields are white. We need to busy for our Lord while we have this great privilege and opportunity.

"For we are Laborers together with God." 1 Cor. 3:9.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. E.O. Bustle

MISSION SUPPORT

Support for the work of missions in the homeland, undergirding more than 2200 missionaries, comes from three major sources: The Cooperative Program, the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering, and special bequests and earnings. Southern Baptists also support the Home Mission Board in their prayers, study, and in meeting personnel needs.

The Cooperative Program, adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in 1925, is a channel for individual Christians and churches to share in the total missions work of Southern Baptists in one's state, nation and around the world. Since its beginning, the Home Mission Board has received a part of each Cooperative Program dollar which you give through your church. Nearly one-half of the support of the Home Mission Board is provided through the Cooperative Program. Your increased gifts each week to the Cooperative Program through your church means greater accomplishments in home missions by you.

The Annie Armstrong Easter Offering provides nearly one-half of the support of home missions. It takes $25.29 per minute or $1,517.36 per hour to carry on the work

of the Home Mission Board. As you give your money through your church, you have a part in the work in all fifty states, in Puerto Rico, Panama and the Canal Zone.

Home missions money is distributed from your Home Mission Offices in Atlanta, Georgia. Arthur B. Rutledge, executive secretary-treasurer, administers the total home missions program.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. E.O. Bustle

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY'S REPORT

This has been another year of joy and gladness. I count it a real privilege along with the responsibility to work in this Association.

I do appreciate the leaders of the organizations of the Association and the churches who did an excellent job trying to promote the work for the year. "Together we can advance."

Days on Field	170	Preached	22
Services Attended	198	Clinics	17
Visits	65	Services in Prison Camp	20
Promotion	6	Ordination Services	3
Taught Lessons	4	Revivals	1
Associational Meetings	46	Miles Traveled	9,600

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. E.O. Bustle

STEWARDSHIP

What is a steward? One who has the opportunity to serve. One who is first born again into the family of God, willing by the help of God to give of his talents, time and money for the up-building of God's Kingdom.

Why is stewardship so important? Christ said to go ye therefore into all the world and preach the Gospel. Although we are unable to go, we should, as Missionary Baptists, prove our stewardship by supporting our missionaries with prayers and money. As we know it all belongs to God anyway.

If each Christian were a steward, how much better this world would be. How many tears could be wiped away. How many hungry children would be hungry no more. How many lives could be saved physically and spiritually, if we were stewards in the true meaning of the word.

When we stand before God, we will be judged by our knowledge of right and wrong, according to our works. How many Christians can say: I am my brother's keeper? We are all brothers and sisters in Christ, whether in America or a foreign land. Therefore, living in a nation where we have the freedom to worship God, read His Word, and the education to understand, we are very much our brother's keeper.

We should all ask ourself this question: Am I what God wants? Am I giving my all to God, the one who has so richly blessed all?

Let us look at our Associational Record for the year 1971-72.

	1971	1972		1971	1972
Total Membership	4,302	4,430	Women's Missionary Union	206	318
Non-resident Members	1,666	1,175	Brotherhood	129	110
Training Union	449	504			

Total membership increased by 128 members. We had a decrease in our non-resident members of 491. There was an increase of 55 members in Training Union enrollment. WMU enrollment showed an increase of 112 members. Brotherhood enrollment showed a decrease of 28 members. We thank God for all of the increases. Decreases show that so many of our Christian people are not very mission-minded.

Respectfully submitted,
Harry Lee Turbyfill

AVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Avery Baptist Association Sunday School Convention met Saturday, July 15, 1972, at ten o'clock at the White's Memorial Baptist Church with the Call to Order by Rev. Robert Davis. The Assistant Superintendent, Joe B. Perry, was absent. Rev. Gerald Roby Thompson, who was elected Superintendent, has moved out of the County.

Conley Huffman, Superintendent of Chestnut Dale Sunday School, led in singing the opening hymn, "Blessed Assurance," accompanied by Mrs. Bob Banner at the piano.

The Devotional was given by Rev. Jeff Willis, Pastor, Green Valley Baptist Church, using John 12:20-32.

During the roll call of Sunday Schools, sixteen responded: Belview, Big Meadows, Chestnut Dale, Cranberry, Crossnore, Elk Park, Green Valley, Jonas Ridge, Mount Pleasant, First Baptist, Newland, Pilgrim, Pleasant Hill, Pleasant Valley, Stamey Town, White's Memorial, and Yellow Mountain.

Nine preachers were present. They were recognized and most of them took part in the discussion on Sunday School work. They were Rev. Lee Pittman, Rev. Jeff Willis, Rev. B.G. MacMahan, Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, Rev. E.O. Bustle, Rev. Robert Lindley, Rev. Robert Davis, Rev. Homer Murdock, and Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill.

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee report was given by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, Rev. Homer Murdock, and Simon Franklin. The July 14, 1973 Convention will meet at the Cranberry Baptist Church with Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill, pastor of the Cranberry Baptist Church, bringing the message.

The Resolutions Committee, composed of Mrs. Edith Brown and Mrs. Delzie Stamey, submitted the following Resolution: "Be It Resolved that we of the Avery Baptist Association Sunday School Convention express our deep appreciation for the good program planned by the Sunday School workers, and for the wonderful Christian fellowship, hospitality, and delicious meal so graciously provided by the White's Memorial Baptist Church."

The following officers were duly elected: Rev. Robert Davis, Superintendent; Conley Huffman, Assistant Superintendent; and Mrs. Ruth H. Calloway, Secretary-Treasurer.

Rev. Robert Lindley brought the annual sermon, using 2nd Timothy 2:1 and 2, and speaking on "Teaching with our Lives and Teaching with Ourselves."

An offering of $27.16 was received. A second song, "Higher Ground," was sung.

The benediction and blessing was given and a bounteous dinner prepared by the women of the White's Memorial Baptist Church was served on tables outside and it was greatly enjoyed by all. An hour of fellowship also was enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted by,
Rev. Robert Davis, Acting Superintendent
Ruth H. Calloway, Secretary

RESOLUTION

"Be it resolved that we of this Association, on this the 4th day of August, 1972, express our grateful appreciation for the inspiring messages brought by the various speakers, challenging us to more in-depth work for our Lord. Also for the very efficient manner in which our business has been transacted by moderator. Our special thanks to the Belview Church for their hospitality and the delicious meal which added so much to the enjoyment of our day in fellowship together.

By the Avery Baptist Association gathered for Annual Session 1972:

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Homer Murdock
Mrs. Mason Carpenter
Mrs. Shelby Vance

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

An Association is a fellowship of Baptist Churches working and ministering together as a collective body to accomplish together that which we cannot do apart for the cause of Christ and people.

Last year our total Associational Mission Offerings for all phases of work and support of the Supt. of Missions was $1539.12. This was given through thirteen of our churches, with sixteen giving no financial support. This amount went principally to support our Supt. of Missions salary, with very little or nothing for needs in Sunday School, WMU, Brotherhood, Training, Music, and Evangelistic work. Now, fellow Christians, we are Missionary Baptist. Missionary Baptist believe in support of missions and doing things together.

What is wrong?

We need help and your prayers. If our people do not understand Associational Missions, let's tell them about it. We'll be happy to discuss it with you as an individual or in your church. We know there are many who aren't aware and haven't had our Associational work explained.

If we will all work together, we can benefit together. We are born into the church; but we become associated with a particular congregation, because our beliefs are harmonious in action. If we are Missionary Baptists, it is my prayer, we begin to show works in accordance. "With one mind striving together for the faith of the Gospel," Phil. 1:27.

August 21-25 is Associational Missions Week. Won't you remember this week in prayer and financial support? If we do, God may bless us with a change in attitude as He did Peter in Acts 10:1-11:18, before he could begin a ministry to the Gentiles. He had a great vision. Maybe our lives will be so blessed.

Respectfully submitted,
Bettie Hooks

In Memoriam

"Oh the friends that now are waiting
In the cloudless realms of day,
They are calling me to follow
Where His steps have led the way.

I shall see them, I shall know them,
I shall hear their songs of love.
And we'll all sing hallelujah
In our Father's house above."

"And the city had no need of the sun, neither the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honor into it." Rev. 21:23-24.

Beech Mountain: Mrs. Ruby Trivette
Cranberry: Mrs. Lucille Ollis Davis, Mrs. Ora Clovinger, Mrs. Lona Calhoun, Mr. Will Ollis, and Mr. John Jay Johnson.
Crossnore: Mr. Coleman Johnson
Elk Park: Mrs. Hazel McCrary
Elk Valley: Mr. Rae Gwyn and Mr. John Riddle
Fairview: Mr. Lawrence Hoilman and Mrs. Augusta Hoilman
Fall Creek: Eliza Norris
Green Valley: Mr. Guy Pittman and Mr. Clyde Larim
Henson Creek: Mr. Lynn Burleson and Mr. Jim Justice
Jonas Ridge: Mr. Paul Rose, Deacon
Minneapolis: Rev. Jeff Pyatte, Mrs. Dollie Holtsclaw and Mrs. Phoebe Buchanan
Newland: Mrs. John Braswell, Mrs. William Abel, and Lowe M. Calloway
Oak Grove: Arlington Taylor
Pilgrim: Mr. W.C. Oaks, Deacon
Pineola: Cecil Farthing
Pleasant Hill: Mr. Lincoln Buchanan, Mr. Baxter Buchanan, Mrs. Charlie Buchanan, Mr. Alonzo Hughes, and Mr. Roscoe Hughes
Pleasant Valley: Plez Gwyn and Bertha Gwyn
Powdermill: Charles S. Causby
Roaring Creek: Mr. Ray Calhoun
Stameytown: Mr. Maude Vance, Mrs. Ella Vance, Mr. Monroe Medley, and Coleman Burleson, Deacon
Sugar Mountain: Mrs. Brazilla Duckworth
Valley Haven: Rev. Ira Hodges, Ordained Minister
Whites Memorial: Martin Lewis

"Yes, they are calling, gently calling,
Sweetly calling me to come,
And I'm looking through the shadows,
For the blessed lights of home."

Reported by:
Mrs. J.C. Brown

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION 1972

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Clerk: MRS. JOHNNIE SHELL

Address: Rt. 2, Box 148-A City: Newland State: N.C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location (Key: 1–Open Country; 2–Village (under 500 pop.); 3–Town (500-2499); 4–Small City (2500-9,999); 5–Medium City (10,000-49,999); 6–Neighborhood; 7–Suburban; Lge. City (50,000 or more): 8–Downtown; 9–Neighborhood; 0–Suburban)	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
Aaron	Dean Bare, Montezuma 28653	Avery	1858	2	x		0	16	3	131	27	158	0	0	0	50000	2500
Beech Mountain	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove	Avery	1869	1		x	2	3	5	82	65	147	0	0	0	10000	0
Belview	Lloyd Ramsey, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1922	1		x	8	0	0	77	64	141	0	0	0	12000	0
Big Meadows	James Beaver, Rt. 2, Box 53, Burnsville 28714	Avery	1845	1		x	6	0	0	82	90	172	0	0	0	16000	1000
Chestnut Dale	Lloyd Ramsey, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1903	1		x	4	0	0	37	9	46	0	0	0	15000	0
Cranberry	Harry L. Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1908	2		x	8	2	6	147	46	193	1	1	0	10000	0
Crossnore	Joe Puett, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1907	2	x		8	6	12	271	271	542	0	1	10000	123000	21300
Elk Park	No pastor at present	Avery	1917	1	x		13	1	1	63	22	83	0	0	0	23500	0
Elk Valley	Earl Carver, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1882	1		x	4	4	6	84	109	193	0	0	0	55000	0
Fairview	Kelse Hollifield, Marion	Avery	1940	1		x	1	0	10	66	33	99	0	0	0	unknown	0
Fall Creek	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove	Avery	1885	1	x		3	2	6	80	82	162	0	0	0	15000	0
Green Valley	Jeff Willis, Bakersville 28705	Avery	1886	1		x	4	3	6	47	55	102	0	0	0	20000	0
Henson Creek	Paul E. Pittman, Beaver Creek Rd., Spruce Pine	Avery	1900	1	x		0	8	3	115	46	161	0	0	0	18000	0
Jonas Ridge	Richard Porter, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Burke	1887	1	x		6	0	5	124	72	196	0	0	8000	25000	3001
Minneapolis	Clifford Phillips, Minneapolis	Avery	1887	2	x		1	4	2	124	64	188	0	0	0	35000	0
Mount Pleasant	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove	Avery		1		x	0	1	4	60	40	100	0	0	0	20000	0
Newland	No pastor at present	Avery	1921	3	x		6	1	8	281	77	358	0	0	0	185700	0
Oak Grove	Earl Carver, Jr., Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Avery	1900	1		x	9	6	4	130	20	150	0	0	0	7000	0
Pilgrim	Harry L. Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1964	2		x	3	1	2	40	20	60	0	0	0	20000	0
Pineola	Jerry Burleson, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1913	1		x	9	10	1	61	0	61	0	0	0	20000	700
Pleasant Hill	B. G. McMahan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	Avery	1905	1	x		17	5	14	225	139	364	1	0	15000	55000	0
Pleasant Valley	Roby Painter, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1893	1		x	10	4	2	44	14	58	0	0	0	5000	0
Powder Mill	Jimmy Upton, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	Avery	1914	1	x		0	3	4	85	34	119	0	0	0	15000	0
Roaring Creek	No pastor at present	Avery	1871	1		x	10	2	2	61	56	117	0	0	0	3000	0
Stameytown	Carson Eggers, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock 28605	Avery	1947	1		x	1	1	11	43	29	72	0	0	9000	26000	0
Sugar Mountain	Alfred C. Jones, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1950	1		x	0	0	1	26	21	47	0	0	0	35000	2500
Valley Haven	Lloyd Ramsey, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1948	1		x	0	0	3	38	29	64	0	0	0	30000	0
Whites Memorial	Lee Pittman, Ingalls Rural Station, Newland	Avery	1949	1	x		12	7	6	115	1	116	0	0	0	15000	0
Yellow Mountain	Homer Murdock, Spruce Pine 28777	Avery	1869	1	x		4	4	3	115	19	134	0	3	0	35000	0

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL 1972

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Sunday School Director: REV. ROBERT DAVIS

Address: City: Cranberry State: N.C. Zip: 28614

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	45 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	46 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	47 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	48 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 Years)	49 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	50 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	51 Adults Away enrolment	52 Homebound Units enrolment	53 General officers enrolment	54 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	55 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	56 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	57 Number of Bible Study Fellowship classes	57 Bible Study Fellowship enrolment	58 Bible conference projects enrolment	59 Weekday Bible study enrolment	60 Church V. B. S. enrolment	60 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	60 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Aaron	Sherman Pritchard, Newland 28657	8	6	15	44	19	6	12	0	0	0	110	62	1	20	0	0	61	0	61
Beech Mountain	Bert Trivette, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	10	15	12	20	24	12	0	0	2	0	90	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Belview	Melvin Bowman, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	4	20	10	10	25	3	0	0	3	0	70	59	0	0	0	15	27	0	27
Big Meadows	Oscar Cook, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	8	10	14	10	35	9	0	0	2	0	90	83	0	0	0	0	40	0	40
Chestnut Dale	Connely Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 276-A, Newland	10	10	3	12	23	0	0	0	0	0	68	38	0	0	0	0	72	0	72
Cranberry	Judd S. Jones, Cranberry 28614	9	31	17	29	36	0	3	0	2	0	129	78	3		0	0	65	0	65
Crossnore	Edgar Edwards, Crossnore 28616	41	21	28	32	59	23	0	4	3	0	211	128	0	0	0	0	104	0	104
Elk Park	Joe Massee, Elk Park 28622	5	14	9	8	16	8	0	0	0	0	60	41	0	0	0	0	48	0	48
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	10	10	15	10	28	7	0	0	2	0	82	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairview	A. D. Woody, Newland 28657	10	10		15		40	0	0	0	0	75	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fall Creek	Walter Sumpter, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	8	9	10	11	21	22	0	0	5	0	86	76	0	0	0	0	38	0	38
Green Valley	Bobbie McClellan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	9	6	4	4	19	0	0	0	3	0	44		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Henson Creek	Phil Pittman, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	6	6	12	24	20	26	14	4	13	0	125	60	0	0	0	0	43	0	43
Jonas Ridge	Russell Singleton, Rt. 2, Box 209, Newland 28657	17	27	11	22	21	0	0	0	9	0	107	76	0	0	0	0	102	0	102
Minneapolis		12	12	6	16	35	5	0	0	0	0	86	86	0	0	0	0	40	0	40
Mount Pleasant	Maxey Freeman, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	9	7	9	10	21	0	0	0	0	0	53	42	0	0	0	0	26	0	26
Newland	Bruce W. Daniels, Newland 28657	48	58	56	18	43	20	0	0	0	0	243	136	0	0	0	0	117	0	117
Oak Grove	Zack Garland, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	20	12	12	20	25	10	0	0	14	0	113	90	1	15	0	0	55	0	55
Pilgrim	Wesley Sluder, Rt. 1, Box 299-A, Roan Mt., Tenn.	9	1	4	16	9	8	1	0	0	0	48	38	0	0	0	0	38	0	38
Pineola	George Smith, Pineola 28662	5	10	17	8	15	0	0	0	0	0	61	40	0	0	0	0	30	0	30
Pleasant Hill	Verne Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	11	13	26	27	45	15	0	0	2	0	138	109	0	0	0	0	82	0	82
Pleasant Valley	Harold Bare, Box 253, Elk Park 28622	3	12	7	2	20	4	11	0	3	0	58	44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Powdermill	Kenneth Blalock, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	6	10	13	20	28	8	0	0	7	0	85	65	0	0	0	0	25	0	25
Roaring Creek	Garry Gardener, Ingalls Rural Station 28657	7	12	18	26	40	6	0	0	0	0	109	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stameytown	Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland 28657	13	18	6	10	18	0	0	0	2	0	67	55	0	0	0	0	60	0	60
Sugar Mountain	David Braswell, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	5	5	1	6	13	5	0	0	12	0	47	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	8	6	3	10	11	0	0	0	0	0	38	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whites Memorial	Ivor Dellinger, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	12	7	16	25	20	4	2	0	0	14	101	72	0	0	0	0	45	0	45
Yellow Mountain	Nat Rhyne, Plumtree 28664	10	10	15	10	40	1	0	0	3	0	91	80	1	30	0	0	56	0	56

TABLE C TRAINING UNION 1972

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Training Union Director: MRS. BETTIE C. HOOKS
Address: Rt. 2, Box 160 City: Newland State: North Carolina Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	61 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	62 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	63 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	64 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	65 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	66 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	67 General officers enrolment	68 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	69 Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	70 Average weekly Training Union attendance	71 New Member Orientation: Registration	71 New Member Orientation: Completed	72 Church Leader Training: Registration	72 Church Leader Training: Completed	73 Member Training Projects: Registration	73 Member Training Projects: Completed
Belview	Walter Gouge, Cranberry 28614	0	10	8	8	10	2	2	0	46	19	0	0	0	0	0	0
Big Meadows	Homer Calloway, Plumtree 28664	0	0	8	12	10	3	2	0	40	35	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cranberry	Gary Green, Cranberry 28614	3	5	4	0	9	0	1	1	22	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crossnore	David Johnson, Crossnore 28616	2	5	9	4	10	4	2	0	36	21	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elk Park	Robert Davis, Elk Park 28622	1	3	5	0	6	3	1	0	19	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jonas Ridge	Isaac Barrier, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	8	16	9	7	11	0	4	0	55	32	22	8	0	0	0	0
Newland	Pat V. Eller, Newland 28657	8	10	20	0	20	0	0	0	58		0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Hill	Tom McKinney, Rt. 1, Box 104, Newland 28657	2	15	16	8	13	5	2	0	51	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pineola	Jerry Burleson, Crossnore 28616																
Powdermill	Jimmy Freeman, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	3	7	15	0	0	3	0	25	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stameytown	Eddie Buchannan, Rt. 2, Box 1074, Spruce Pine 28777	6	6	6	5	9	0	2	0	34	18	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valley Haven	Mildred Berry, Banner Elk 28604	0	4	0	2	8	0	0	0	14	10	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whites Memorial	Ted Burleson, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	7	10	0	9	10	0	8	0	35	25	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC 1972

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Music Director: KENNETH JOHNSON
Address: Crossnore City: N.C. State: Zip: 28616

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	74 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	75 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	76 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	77 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	78 General officers enrolment	79 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	80 Total church music enrolment	81 Average weekly church music attendance	82 Handbell ringers enrolment	83 Vocal ensemble enrolment	84 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	85 Church music study group enrolment
Aaron	Dean Bare, Montezuma	0	0	6	12	0	0	18	18	0	0	0	0
Belview	Walter Gouge, Cranberry 28614	5	15	10	20	2	0	52	40	0	0	0	0
Crossnore	Mrs. Jack Ollis, Crossnore 28616	0	0	16	30	4	0	50	25	0	0	0	0
Elk Park	Sherry Freeman, Elk Park 28622	0	14	9	8	3	0	34	34	0	0	0	0
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	10	11	12	0	0	33	33	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Hill				12	12	1		25	20				
Roaring Creek	Phillip Woody, Rt. 1, Newland 28657			8	9	2	0	19					

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION 1972

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational WMU Director: MRS. E. O. BUSTLE

Address: Rt. 2 City: Newland State: North Carolina Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	86 Mission Friends (5 years and under–not in school)	87 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	88 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	89 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	90 Baptist Women (30 and over)	91 Mission(s) of church	92 Total number of organizations	93 Mission Friends (5 years and under–not in school)	94 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	96 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	96 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	97 Baptist Women (30 and over)	98 WMU officers	99 Mission(s) of church	100 Total WMU enrolment
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
Aaron	Margaret Sudderth, Montezuma					1		1					15		0	15
Cranberry	Mrs. Johnnie B. McCovry, Box 312, Cranberry					1		1					9	2	0	11
Crossnore	Estella Cuthbertson, Crossnore 28616	1	1	0	0	1	0	3	8	14	0	0	15	4	0	41
Elk Park	Mrs. Edith Isaacs, Elk Park 28622	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	10	10	0	6	4	0	30
Jonas Ridge	Mrs. Sandra Henderson, Jonas Ridge 28641	0	2	1	0	1	0	4	0	10	7	0	11	3	0	31
Mt. Pleasant	Jerry Boles, Newland 28657					1		1					6	0	0	6
Newland	Mrs. Marion Cheek, Newland 28657					1		1					12			12
Pineola	Mrs. Francis Vance, Pineola	0	1	1	1	1	0	4	0	10	8					
Pleasant Hill	Mrs. Hazel Ollis, Frank Rural Station, Newland 28657		1			1	0	2	0	10			12	0	0	22
Stameytown	Mrs. Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	12	5	0	6	6	0	29
Valley Haven	Mrs. Mildred Berry, Banner Elk	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	13	0	0	0	7	3	0	23
Whites Memorial	Mrs. Onie Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657					1		1					8	6		14
Yellow Mountain	Mrs. Homer Murdock, Spruce Pine 28777					1		1					5	3		8

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD 1972

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Brotherhood Director: REV. ROBERT LINDLEY

Address: Elk Park City: North Carolina State: 28622 Zip:

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	101 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	102 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	103 Baptist Young Men enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	104 Baptist Men enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	105 Baptist Senior Men (60 and over or retirement and over)	106 General officers enrolment	107 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	108 Total Brotherhood enrolment
Elk Park	Buster Freeman, Elk Park 28622	8	15	0	0	0	2	0	25
Crossnore	Kenneth Johnson, Crossnore 28616	9	7	6	4	2	3	0	31
Jonas Ridge	Richard Daniels, Rt. 2, Box 181, Newland	5	3	0	11	0	2	0	21
Stameytown	Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland 28657	12	4	0	8	0	4	0	28

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP 1972

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Treasurer: MRS. JOHNNIE SHELL
Address: Rt. 2, Box 148-A City: Newland State: N.C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	12	13			14	15	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117
		Number of tithers	Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year.			Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
			None	Forward Program	Other											
Aaron	John Hayes, Montezuma 28653	18	x			5	1	13584		13584	0	5345	152	2439	4158	12093
Beech Mountain	Wilma Story, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	10	x			6	2	4774		4774	0	1782	0	1009	787	3578
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	10	x			0	0	5117		5117	0	1760	0	0	2297	4057
Big Meadows	Lawrence Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland	3	x			0	0	1109		1109	1000	3361	2850	0	998	7210
Chestnut Dale	Robert Sluder, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	9	x			0	0	4348		4348	0	1400	0	0	1204	2604
Cranberry	Mrs. Earl Green, Cranberry 28614		x			2¼	1¾	6974		6974	0	2520	1168	0	2251	5939
Crossnore	Lois W. Clark, Crossnore 28616	35		x		4¾	1.1	24650		24650	0	6320	0	10080	7550	23950
Elk Park	David Heaton, Roan Mountain, Tenn.	15	x			10	2	5805		5805	0	3199	0	0	1709	4928
Elk Valley	Mrs. Floy Aldridge, Rt. 1, Box 20, Banner Elk	14	x			10	10	4861		4861	0	1500	415	0	853	2768
Fairview	Jeff Woody, Box 614, Spruce Pine 28777		x			0	0	2246		2246	0	1480	0	0	153	1633
Fall Creek	Laura Parlier, Elk Park 28622	5	x			0	0	6350		6350	0	2005	0	0	1084	3089
Green Valley	John Slayton, 501 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine	4	x			0	0				0	1140	0	0	1183	2330
Henson Creek	Lee Burleson, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland	10	x			0	0				0		2008	0	4825	4825
Jonas Ridge	Charles Freeman, Rt. 2, Box 190, Newland	20		x		6	11/3	9275		9275	2000	4050	2874	1048	2186	10158
Minneapolis	Ms. Joyce Grindstaff, Minneapolis		x			0	0	12267		12267	0	4187	0	0	610	4797
Mount Pleasant	Virgil Blalock, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	5	x			0	0	4850		4850	0				3894	3894
Newland	Bruce W. Daniels, Newland 28657		x			0	0	29262		29262	0	6957	0	6000	10382	23339
Oak Grove	McDonald Burleson, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	7	x			0	0	10394		10394	0	5335	1925	0	1798	9058
Pilgrim	Wessley Sluder, Rt. 1, Box 299-A, Roan Mt., Tenn.	17		x		0	0	2684		2684	0	1280	768	0	400	2548
Pineola	Maurice Lindecamp, Pineola		x			0	0	6053		6053	0	2600	0	0	2218	4818
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 102, Newland 28657		x			0	0	12232		12232	0	3430	0	2786	3613	9829
Pleasant Valley	Walter Hicks, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622		x			0	0				0		754	0	417	1171
Powdermill	Jack Buchanan, Rt. 1, Box 235, Newland 28657		x			0	0	5749		5749	0	2865	0	0	1666	4531
Roaring Creek	Vearle Hughes, Rt. 1, Newland 28657		x			0	0	5500		5500	0		1000	0	500	1500
Stameytown	Ms. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland 28657	10	x			0	0	6675		6675	0	3120	1101	0	1869	6090
Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	x			8	2	2216	0	2216	0	1130	0	1000	680	2810
Valley Haven	Ms. Gail Draughon, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	7	x			0	0	3454	0	3454	0	678	350	0	908	1936
Whites Memorial	Onie Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	18		x		10	10	7839	0	7839	0	3735	0	0	1258	4993
Yellow Mountain	Robert Trivette, Plumtree 28664	10	x			0	0	11200	0	11200	0	5100	2900	0	1700	9700

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1972

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Superintendent of Missions (Associational Missionary): REV. E. O. BUSTLE

Address: Rt. 2 City: Newland State: North Carolina Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132
		Church Sponsored Missions			OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES											
		Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC For. Mis. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: Hospitals	Designated: Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temp. League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
Aaron	Carl N. Holden, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	400	120	0	0	306	0	34	0	0	336	797	1197
Beech Mountain	Allen Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	279	100	0	0	0	0	35	129	0	194	458	737
Belview	Doris O. Shell, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	30	0	100	0	50	0	110	50	50	25	385	415
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Rt. 3, Box 233, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	30	25	0	0	0	206	100	0	0	0	361
Chestnut Dale	Jack Ray Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 275, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100	128	0	0	328	328
Cranberry	Elbert W. McCoury, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	150	120	30	25	140	0	50	40	0	0	405	555
Crossnore	Lois W. Clark, Box 6, Crossnore 28616	0	0	0	812	180	58	289	576	0	64	64	22	0	1253	2065
Elk Park	Mrs. John Hayward, Box 255, Elk Park 28622	0	50	50	581	116	30	25	35	25	35	25	25	0	316	947
Elk Valley	Lonnie Aldridge, Rt. 1, Box 20, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	0	0	420	0	0	127	163	0	0	711	711
Fairview	Mrs. Jeff Woody, Box 614, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	20	0	0	360	400	400
Fall Creek	Glen Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	540	0	200	325	0	1176	2241	2241
Green Valley	Minnie Barrier, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	695	378	0	0	20	50	0	1143	1143
Henson Creek	Mrs. Bill Goforth, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	25	50	0	0	98	98
Jonas Ridge	Virginia Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 181-A, Newland	0	0	0	453	160	77	275	369	87	103	172	120	0	1363	1816
Minneapolis	Randall Fletcher, Minneapolis 28652	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	210	210	85	1063	1568	1568
Mt. Pleasant	R. F. Horney, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	439	0	126	206	241	126	360	1499	1499
Newland	Ruth Calloway, Box 416, Newland 28657	0	0	0	1854	221	100	158	345	25	100	120	152	259	1480	3334
Oak Grove	Hazel B. Vance, Box 112, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	79	67	0	0	146	146
Pilgrim	Mack Cook, Rt. 1, Box 86-A, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	15	0	0	26	26
Pineola	Mrs. Teene McNeely, Pineola	0	0	0	120			259				90		685	1154	1274
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 102, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	20	0	182	596	0	190	125	38	15	1166	1166
Pleasant Valley	Thresa Hicks, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	336	389	389
Powdermill	Mary Buchanan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	193	0	0	873	1066	1066
Roaring Creek	Judy Puckett, Banner Elk	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	30	30
Stamey Town	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland 28657	0	0	0	120	100	25	68	67	0	30	50	0	125	465	615
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Floyd Banner, Rt. 2, Box 238, Newland 28657	0	0	0	170	45	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	0	97	267
Valley Haven	Miss Phyllis Berry, Banner Elk 28604	0	1079	1079	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	52	0	0	102	1181
Whites Memorial	Dora Phillips, Rt. 2, Box 772, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	24	60	0	669	156	0	30	50	0	230	1255	1279
Yellow Mountain	Russell Stafford, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	40	0	1148	1229	1229

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION 1972

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Moderator: REV. LEE PITTMAN
Address: Ingalls Rural Station — City: Newland — State: N.C. — Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES	19 No. church-type missions started during the year	20 No. church-type missions currently operating	21 No. other type missions started during the year	22 No. other-type missions currently operating	23 Com. existing during past yr. Public relations	24 Stewardship	25 Radio and TV	26 Missions	27 Christian Higher Educ.	Does church have or observe? 28 Radio and TV Sunday	29 Library	30 Recreation staff	31 Witness Training (using WIN materials)	32 Christian Home Week	33 Ministry to the Deaf	34 State paper in budget	35 Ch. Council/Cabinet	36 Bus Ministry	37 Baptist Seminaries, Colleges, and Schools Day	38 Does church plan or contemplate a major building program within the year? Y	38 N	39 Number of college students baptized during the year	40 Number ordained for Gospel ministry during the year	41 Training Union meeting time AM	41 PM	42 Number of active deacons	43 Kindergarten enrolment	44 Day care enrolment
Aaron	J. Edward Sudderth, Montezuma	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y		X	0	0			5	0	0
Beech Mountain	Roy McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	1			7	0	0
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	X		0	0			5	0	0
Big Meadows	Homer Calloway, Plumtree 28664	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0		X	3	0	0
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			5	0	0
Cranberry	Elbert McCoury, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0		X	8	0	0
Crossnore	F. Douglas Clark, Crossnore 28616	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y		X	0	0		X	7	0	0
Elk Park	Dewey Mann, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0		X	4	0	0
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			6	0	0
Fairview	Dewey Hughes, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			4	0	0
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			7	0	0
Green Valley	Fritz Hall, Rt. 2, Box 448, Spruce Pine	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			1	0	0
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Jonas Ridge	Grady Singleton, Jonas Ridge 28641	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0		X	5	0	0
Minneapolis	Edward Grindstaff, Minneapolis	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			7	0	0
Mt. Pleasant	Nat Daniels, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N		X	0	0				0	0
Newland	Rudd Bare, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0		X	8	0	0
Oak Grove	Clearence Johnson, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	X		0	0			7	0	0
Pilgrim	Novell Cook, Rt. 1, Box 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			3	0	0
Pineola		0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N		X	0	1		X	4	0	0
Pleasant Hill	Earl Green, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N		X	0	0		X	7	0	0
Pleasant Valley		0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			2	0	0
Powdermill	Will McKinney, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0		X	6	0	0
Roaring Creek	Vearl Hughes, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			3	0	0
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Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			3	0	0
Valley Haven	Will Blair, Rt. 1, Banner Elk	1	1	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	X		0	0		X	3	0	0
Whites Memorial	Hubert Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland	1	1	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	X		0	0		X	5	0	0
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchannan, Plumtree 28664	1	2	0	0	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N		X	0	0			5	0	0

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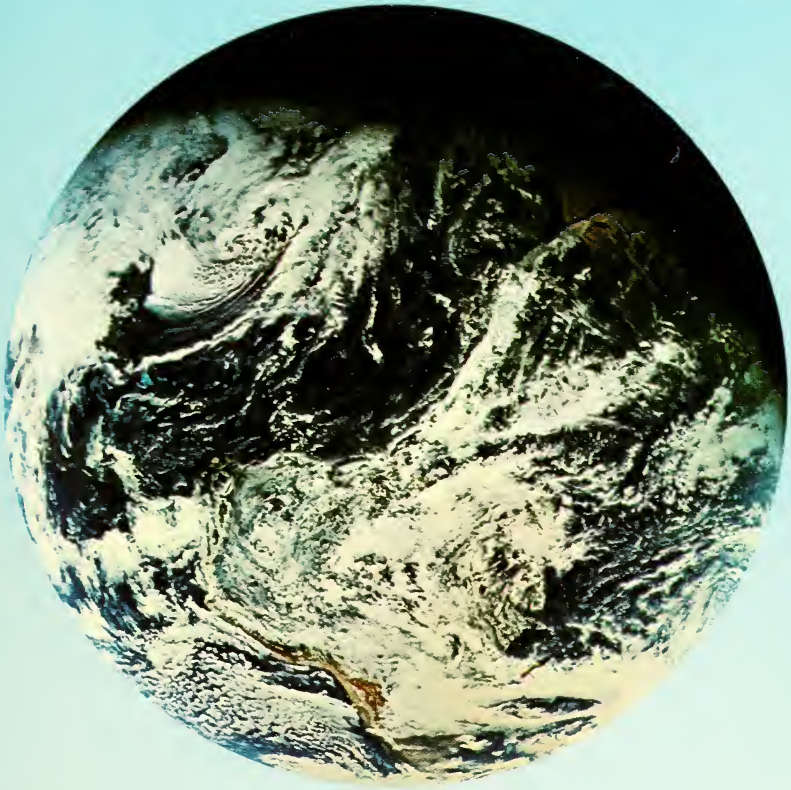
In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

—Genesis 1:1-2



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August 2 and 3, 1973

OFFICERS

Moderator ..... Rev. Lloyd Ramsey
Vice Moderator
Clerk-Treasurer

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Constitution

(Revised 1973)

ARTICLE I—NAME

This body shall be known as the Avery Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

It is the purpose of the Association to provide an Organization of Cooperation for the Missionary Baptist Churches affiliated with it and to encourage them to faithfulness in every endeavor which we shall undertake together in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and to encourage them in the support of the Cooperative Program of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall consist of duly elected messengers from the membership of the various churches affiliated with the body, known as the Avery Baptist Association. (1) Each church having a membership of one hundred (100) or less shall be entitled to three (3) messengers, and for each additional fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, an additional messenger; (2) The pastors who are members of the affiliated churches; (3) The duly elected officers of the Association; (4) The members of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV—AFFILIATED CHURCHES

The Missionary Baptist Churches which have petitioned for membership and by vote of the Association are considered to be in fellowship with the purpose and undertakings of this body, shall comprise the list of affiliated churches. The vote of the Association to extend fellowship or to withdraw fellowship shall be a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLES V AND VI—POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the Churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council, nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way; yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety, and intelligence of the body it may justly acclaim for itself, for its objects and recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes unorthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter more than two (2) successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats or threats with contempt its objects and requirements. Any church desiring membership in the Avery Baptist Association shall place their petition with the Executive Committee, at least three (3) months prior to the annual meeting of the Association. The petition shall furnish all information on the designated form which is furnished by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE VII—DUTIES OF THE CHURCH

It shall be the duty of the church to elect messengers and to insist their attendance at all sessions of the given Associational Meeting. It shall be the duty of the church to have their Associational letter read and approved and sufficient funds included to pay for requested number of minutes at cost of printing; The letter shall be mailed to clerk of the Association ten (10) days prior to time for the Association to meet.

ARTICLE VIII—MEETINGS

The meetings of the Avery Baptist Association shall be held annually, beginning on the first Thursday and Friday of the month of August, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE IX—OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, Historian, Sunday-School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Executive Committee. These officers shall be members of affiliated Baptist Churches and duly elected by the various organizations, subject to the approval of the Association.

Their active term of office shall begin at the beginning of the new church year on October 1st, following their election in August and continue as long as they are elected and approved by the body.

Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to act in executive capacity at all meetings; according to the principles of a presiding officer.

Vice Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Clerk-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful records of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other appointed members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. As treasurer, he or she shall keep record of all funds coming into his or her possession and an account of disbursement.

Assistant Clerk-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk-Treasurer to assist the Clerk-Treasurer in keeping records, publishing records and to act in the absence of the Clerk-Treasurer.

Historian: It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

The various heads of organizations namely, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Missions Committee and Chairman of Evangelism shall preside over the activities of these ministries and promote the working of same.

The Associational Missionary shall assist in all the mission activities of the Association and assist in all possible ways with each ministry of the Association, and specifically when requested by the Association.

The Executive Committee shall consist of (1) The officers of the Association; (2) The pastor of each church, provided he is a member of the church he represents, and one laymember of his church; (3) Two laymembers, nominated and elected by the church from the churches who do not have a pastor as a member to represent them.

The duties of the Executive Committee shall be to transact whatever business may require attention of the Association between sessions, provided that a quorum of ten (10) be present, which action shall be binding upon the Association (subject to their approval at annual session). This committee shall submit a full report of its work to the Association at each annual session, together with recommendations for the promotion and extension of the work, including the annual Associational budget.

In event that any office, constituted by any article herein, becomes vacant during the Associational year, said office may be filled for the interim by appointment of the Executive Committee.

This constitution may be altered or amended by two-thirds vote of messengers present at any annual meeting; provided such an alteration or amendment shall be submitted in writing at the first day's session and acted upon at the second day's session.

Roberts Rules of Order, in as far as applicable, shall be followed in the governing of the Avery Baptist Association.

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION

AARON: John Hayes, Ed Sudderth, Claudia Hayes, Martha Baughman
BEECH MOUNTAIN: John Trivett, Truman Church, Dee Moore, Jack Cook, Mrs. Vannie Trivett
BELVIEW: Mrs. Rhetta Gouge, Mrs. Nina Ollis, Mrs. Beulah Caraway
BIG MEADOWS: Mr. Homer Calloway, Mrs. Delzie Stamey, Roger Singleton
CHESTNUT DALE: Rosa Johnson, Rev. and Mrs. Marion Duncan, Lula Isaacs
CRANBERRY: Mrs. Edith Brown, Mrs. Nelle McCoury, Mrs. Rosa Mayberry, Mr. Ernest Turbyfill
CROSSNORE: Mr. and Mrs. David Johnson, Jim Vance, Jr., John Webb, Mrs. George Johnson, Mrs. Arvel Clark, Mrs. Lois Edwards, Mrs. Lucille Johnson, Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, Mrs. Finley Cornett
ELK PARK: Rev. and Mrs. Robert Davis, Mrs. C. A. Bolick, Mrs. Joe Massee, Miss Sarah Massee, Mrs. John Hayward
ELK VALLEY: Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carver, Mrs. Ema Ward, Mr. Stewart Berry
FALL CREEK: Herby Smith, Glen Jones, Walter Sumpter
GREEN VALLEY: Kerby Ollis, Ella Ollis, Minnie Barrier, Rev. and Mrs. Jeff Willis
HENSON CREEK: Mrs. Lee Burleson, Mrs. Billy Goforth, Miss Brenda Burleson, Rev. Paul Pittman
JONAS RIDGE: James Gallion, L. M. Shell, Isaac Barrier, Gladys Porter, Kathy Franklin
MOUNT PLEASANT: Hilma Daniels, Carolyn Townsend, Debbie Blalock
NEWLAND, FIRST: Rev. and Mrs. Jack Bryant, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turbyfill, Pat V. Eller, J. T. Tanner, Mrs. Bob Banner
OAK GROVE: Rev. and Mrs. Earl Carver, Jr.
PILGRIM: Wesley Sluder, Woodie Stout, Novel Cook
PINEOLA: Mr. Carl Andrews, Mrs. Francis Vance, Mr. David Thompson, Rev. Jerry Burleson
PLEASANT HILL: Earsel Buchanan, Mr. Ira Ward, Mrs. Esther Ward, Mr. Earl Greene, Mrs. Lottie Pittman, Mrs. Mildred McMahan
POWDER MILL: Mrs. Mary Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. George Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Will McKinney
STAMEYTOWN: Mrs. Demory Burleson, Mrs. Eddie Buchanan, Mrs. Sam Cook
SUGAR MOUNTAIN: David Braswell, Gurney Duckworth, Alfred Jones
VALLEY HAVEN: Lillie Gillione, Mabel Whitehead, Joe Perry, Gary Harvey
YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Bessie Murdock, Mrs. Dixie Pritchard, Mrs. Mindy Rhyne
WHITES MEMORIAL: Mrs. Onie Carpenter, Mrs. Pearl Braswell

Proceedings

62nd Annual Session

August 2, 1973, the Avery Baptist Association met at Big Meadows Baptist Church for its annual meeting. At 9:30 A.M. o'clock the 62nd annual session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Lee Pittman. The meeting was called to order with an altar prayer. Kenneth Johnson, Associational Music Director, led the congregation in the hymns "Come Thou Almighty King" and "Wonderful Words of Life". Rev. James Beaver, pastor of the host church gave the morning devotion, reading from Psalm 29.

A motion was made and adopted that the messengers of the churches be seated for the purpose of transacting business. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the clerk. Twenty-six of the twenty-nine churches answered the roll call with 77 delegates present. A motion was made that the printed program be adopted. The motion was carried with the understanding that it could be changed later if necessary to give the various representatives from the State Convention an opportunity to speak.

The Moderator asked the Vice-Moderator to appoint the Committees for the day. The following were appointed:

Resolutions Committee: Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, Ershel Buchannan, and Mrs. Gladys Porter.

Time, Place, and Preacher Committee: Rev. Jimmy Upton, Rev. B. G. McMahan, and Rev. E. O. Bustle.

The Miscellaneous Business was as follows:

1. The Executive Committee in its last meeting voted to recommend a change in the Constitution. The clerk did not have the minutes available at this time so this was postponed until the session tomorrow evening.

2. Rev. E. O. Bustle, Associational Missionary, made a motion that the Association obtain a mailing permit for the missionary to mail his letters, bulletins, and other Associational mail. This motion was seconded and carried. The Clerk was instructed to pay for this from the general fund.

3. A motion was made for the clerk to place a list of past-moderators in the annual each year for historical purposes. The motion was carried.

4. Someone suggested that it would be a good idea to change the meeting time of the second session of the annual meeting back to a daytime session. After some discussion the Time, Place and Preacher Committee were instructed to study the possibilities and bring a recommendation to the body for a vote in the session tomorrow evening.

5. The following officers were elected by acclamation:

Moderator: Rev. Lloyd Ramsey

Vice-Moderator: Rev. Jerry Burleson

Clerk-Treasurer: Patricia Shell

An offering for the expense of the Association was taken amounting to $52.04.

Rev. Jerry Burleson submitted his report on the Cooperative Program. Ted Williams, a representative from the State Convention, spoke to his report. Mr. Williams urged the churches to give more through the Cooperative Program.

The Foreign Mission report was given by Rev. B. G. McMahan, followed by the report on Home Missions by Rev. Jack Bryant. Rev. E. O. Bustle, associational missionary, gave his report on Associational Missions. He urged the churches to support associational missions because there was a great need for some better equipment.

The Mission Finance Committee report was given by Mrs. Bettie Hooks. The report gave a list of the churches that have been supporting the Associational Missionary. The report was adopted.

There was a pause in the reports for the annual sermon delivered by Rev. B. G. McMahan. After the sermon the meeting was adjourned until after lunch.

After a delicious meal, served by the ladies of the host church the afternoon session was opened with a short devotion by Rev. Stephen Baughman, pastor of Aaron Church.

This time on the program was given to Mr. Hill of the BIBLICAL RECORDER, to speak about our Baptist State Paper. He said only 50 families in the association receive this weekly paper. He urged the churches to keep the people informed by putting the paper in the annual budget. Mrs. Nell McCoury gave her report on Christian Literature. The report was adopted. Rev. Roby Painter gave his report on Christian Education. His report was adopted. Dr. Bob Lamb, a representative from Gardner College, spoke to his report.

Dean Bare was scheduled to give a report on Baptist Children's Homes but he was not present. Hugh Starnes from The Broyhill Home gave an informative talk on the progress of our children's home. He extended an invitation to all to visit the home whenever possible. He also reminded the churches of the Thanksgiving special offering for the children's homes.

Bill Poole gave the report on the Homes For The Aging in North Carolina. The report was adopted.

The report on Temperance and Morals was given by Rev. Richard Porter. The report was adopted. There was a motion made that the Association adopt the report as an official resolution on our stand against the Liquor By The Drink referendum to be voted on in our state in November. The motion was carried. The clerk was instructed to have the report printed in our two local newspapers, THE AVERY JOURNAL, and THE TRI COUNTY NEWS.

The report on Evangelism was given by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey. He stated that the County-wide Crusade had been very successful again this year. His report was adopted.

Clifford Phillips was not present to give the report on the Baptist Hospital, so it was moved until later. The written report from the Hospital was adopted for the minutes.

There was no representative for the Annuity Board, but Ted Williams, gave a talk on it. The secretary retired last year so there was a new one appointed. Ed Coats will be taking Guy Cain's place as the secretary.

The Sunday School Report was given by Rev. Robert Davis. The minutes of the annual Sunday School Convention was adopted for the annual.

There was no report on the Baptist Foundation so the remainder of the time was given to Calvin Knight, who spoke on the Baptist Hospital.

The session was adjourned with the report from the Resolutions Committee. "We the Resolutions Committee would like to thank the Big Meadows Church for the fine hospitality and fellowship we have had here at the church, and our thanks to the ladies for the wonderful dinner they served.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Richard Porter
Mr. Ershel Buchanan
Rev. Lloyd Ramsey.

Friday August 3, 1973

This session was opened at 6:00 P.M. o'clock in the Chestnut Dale Baptist Church by the vice moderator, Rev. Homer Murdock. The opening devotion was given by Rev. Marian Duncan, pastor of the host church.

The Treasurers report was given and adopted as in order. An offering for the expense of the Association was taken amounting to $21.18.

The following recommendation was given by the Executive Committee: We recommend that the Constitution be reivised to give the churches better representation on the Executive Committee; Article IX-Officers and Duties. The Executive Committee shall consist of (1) the officers of the Association: (2) The pastor of each church; provided he is a member of the church he represents; (3) a laymember, nominated and elected by the church, from the churches who do not have a pastor to represent them. Change to read as follows: The Executive Committee shall consist of (1) the officers of the Association; (2) the pastor of each church: provided he is a member of the church he represents and a laymember (3) Two laymembers, nominated and elected by the church from the churches who do not have a pastor as a member to represent them.

A motion was made that the body adopt the change. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Vacation Bible School Report was given by Mrs. Robert Davis, who urged all the churches to please report your VBS on the annual church letter. The report was adopted.

Church Training was reported on by Mrs. Bettie Hooks. The report was adopted. James Lambert, area Missionary spoke to her report.

Mrs. Ellan Bustle gave a report on Women's Missionary Union. Her report was adopted. Mrs. Bolick, from the Elk Park Church spoke to the report.

There was no Brotherhood report. Rev. Robert Lindly, the Brotherhood Director is no longer in the Association, so this office will be filled with a nomination from the Executive Committee at a later time.

The Stewardship report was given by Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill. The report was adopted.

Kenneth Johnson gave his report on Church Muic. The report was adopted.

Before adjournment for refreshments the following announcement was made: "The School of Missions will be held in our Association in September, 9-14, 1973. To help us know what is going on in world missions we will have 4 foreign, 4 home, 4 state, and 2 Associational Missionaries with us that week. The Rally to open the school will be Saturday, September 8, 1973, in the Newland Church."

The following was adopted as an official report from Campbell College. "Dr. Hugh McKinney, Public Relations, Campbell College called by telephone, to relay his regards to the association. Dr. Weigans, President, also sends his regards. Campbell College is the third largest, four year, private college in the state. It has approximately 2,356 students. It gives free tuition to pastors and wives. Over 60% of the students get some kind of help through our

gifts."

The annual sermon was delivered by Rev. Jimmy Upton, taking his sermon from I John I: 5-8. His theme was "Fellowship One With Another". After the sermon a motion was made and carried that hereafter the annual sermon be placed in the minutes with the other reports. It was left to the Executive Committee to take care of this to work out the best possible way to do this.

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee report was given by Rev. B. G. McMahan, chairman. They recommended to the body to change the second session next yeat to a daytime session. A motion was made and carried. The next session will be the first Thursday of August with Cranberry Baptist Church. The annual sermon will be by Rev. Marian Duncan, alternate, Rev. Clearence Smith. The second day will be the first Friday in August at Crossnore Baptist Church, with Rev. Steve Baughman, bringing the sermon: alternate preacher Rev. Ward Sims.

The Committees to report next session were read and approved. The list is in the Report Section of the minutes.

The "Obituaries" were given by Mrs. J. C. Brown. This was adopted. The meeting was adjourned after the following report from the Resolutions Committee, "We the Resolutions Committee would like to thank the Chestnut Dale Baptist Church for the priviledge to meet and fellowship. And also, thank the ladies for the refreshments they served to us. We thank the Moderator and the Vice Moderator for the fine job they have done, not only for the annual meeting, but their work throughout the past year." This report was submitted by Rev. Lloyd Ramsey.

The meeting was closed with everyone giving the officers the right hand of fellowship.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Since earliest times man has feared, or at least has chosen to avoid, those things with which he was not familiar, those things which he did not understand. Because of this fact a simple thunder storm could strike terror into the heart of primitive man, and as a result many legends and superstitions arose from occurrences which we take for granted and accept as normal or common place today.

We read in 1 John 4:18: "There is no fear in love but perfect love casteth out fear. . .". We may have rumors spread concerning a certain person, stating that that individual is a mean and vicious person, and especially during our early years we may develop a fear of this individual simply on hearsay evidence, but after having a chance to meet the person and to develop a personal relationship with him, we discover that the man is capable of love, and our fears and suspicions are dispelled "cast out".

As an Association our record of support for the Cooperative Program is not an impressive one to say the least. As of June 30 this year, there were 14 churches of the 29 within the Association supporting the Cooperative Program, leaving 15 uncommitted. As bad as this record appears, we are happy to report that 3 additional churches have joined in supporting the Cooperative Program since last year. These are: Fall Creek, Pilgrim, and Valley Haven, resulting in an increase of $256.32 already this year. Also we had a total increase of $953.00 in 1972 over 1971. These figures indicate wnat we interpret to be a trend, or a change in the right direction. We sincerely hope and pray that this is the case, and that the trend will continue.

We believe that one of the greatest reasons for our lack of support as an Association has been due to the fact, as our illustrations pointed out above, that the majority of our people simply are not aware, have not been informed to the facts of the work of the Cooperative Program, have fears that their gifts may not reach their destinations, as well as other doubts and fears caused simply by not knowing the facts, or by having been misinformed. Our purpose is to "cast out" some of these doubts and fears with some facts, and we request that each of you, Pastors and Messengers alike, will carry these facts back to the people, and allow them the right after having been properly informed to weigh the evidence for themselves and decide by the democratic process whether they as a church will support the Cooperative Program. We believe that as properly informed Christian people, if given the chance of a majority

vote, that they will alter our record as an Association, and that by the end of next year we will have a Cooperative Program report of which we can be proud.

In the past there have been rumors that only about 10% of the donations given to certain charitable organizations ever reach the field. We are proud of the fact that almost 90% of Cooperative Program funds are used in the designated areas, and that only a little over 10% are used for administrative purposes.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jerry C. Burleson

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

In Mark 16:15, Jesus said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature". I am glad to report that we are expanding, maybe slow, but never the less, expanding. We have added seven new missionaries to our 2,500 foreign missionaries making a total of 2,507 in 77 countries instead of 72 countries. It does not seem like much, but it is growth.

There is a great plea however for 800 new missionaries. In Matthew 9:37-38 Jesus said, "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest". So we need to pray that the Lord will send some people into the mission work to provide these 800 missionaries. We need these badly if we get missionaries back into China as our Foreign Mission Board predicts we will.

Can we of the Avery Association say no when the need is so great?

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. B. G. McMahan

ASSOCIATION MISSIONS REPORT

Days on the field	145
Services attended	145
Visits made	75
Preached	20
Association meetings	44
Ordination services	3
State Convention meetings	21
Revivals conducted	2
School of missions	1
Miles traveled	10,500
Increase in Cooperative Program over last year	$9,530
Increase in World Missions over last year	$11,805

This has been the best year ever for the Lord, with greater opportunities. The older I get the more I see the need of "Together We Advance" for the Lord. The records show some good advancement this past year.

Respectfully submitted,
E. O. Bustle

FINANCE COMMITTEE

It is with gratitude, we thank the following who served on this committee: Junior Vannoy-Newland, Bobby Willis-Aaron, Kenneth Johnson-Crossnore, Lance Huffman-Whites Memorial, and Bruce Smith-Pineola.

We are thankful for the increased giving for support of Associational Missions this year. It has been a good year. Thank you for your part in this area of the Lord's work.

Following is a Statement of Offerings and Expenses:

OFFERINGS		EXPENSES	
Aaron—$120.00			
Beech Mountain—$50.00		Missionary's Salary for 7 months (July, 72-January, 73)	110.00 $770.00
Cranberry—$120.00		Missionary's Salary for 5 months (February, 73-June, 73)	120.00 $600.00
Crossnore—$180.00		Office Expense for 10 months (July, 72-April, 73)	10.00 $100.00
Elk Park—$108.09		Office Expense for 2 months (May, 73-June, 73)	20.00 $40.00
Hensons Creek—$22.45		Travel Expense for 5 months (February, 73-June, 73)	10.00 $50.00
Jonas Ridge—$155.85		Mimeograph Machine for Assoc.	$112.50
Newland—$176.00			
Pineola—$271.22			
Pleasant Hill—$60.00			
Valley Haven—$91.31			
Stamey Town—$100.00			
Whites Memorial—$80.00			
Sugar Mountain—$75.00			
Individual Offerings—$130.00			
Balance from Church & Pastor Fellowship—$23.93			
Total Offerings—$1763.85		Total Expenses	$1672.50

We had a balance of $154.08 as of July 1, 1972, with offerings of $1763.85 for the current year, giving us a total of $1917.93, Our expenses being $1672.50, we have a balance of $245.43. Last years offerings were $1539.12 giving an increase of $378.81 over the previous year.

As to our Associational Missionary's Salary the past year-it is as follows:

*Supplement from The State Convention (Provided through State Missions and Cooperative Program)	$2002.00
Avery Association (29 churches) salary	1370.00
Office Expenses—10 months at 10.00 per month	100.00
Office Expenses—2 months at 20.00 per month	40.00
Travel Expenses—5 months at 10.00 per month	50.00
Stony Fork Association	600.00
	600.00
Total	$4162.00

We are appreciative of our Missionary's dedication to his task. In 1966, he started with a $2400.00 supplement, $50.00 per month from Avery Association, and that or less from Stony Fork Association. In 1967 Avery Assoc. went to $75.00, gradually it increased to the present $120.00, plus $20.00 office expenses and $10.00 travel expense. This, with the supplement of $2002.00 and Stony Fork's salary of $50.00 will compose his salary this year unless increased. Any offerings may be forwarded to The Avery Baptist Missions Fund, % Mrs. Frances Vance, Pineola, N. C.

As your Finance Committee, we express our gratitude for this man and the work God is doing through him. We hope you too, would join us.

Respectfully Submitted
Bettie C. Hooks, Chairman

*Supplement is same regardless of the number of Associations or churches one might work with. The amount is determined by the General Board just prior to the new year and on the basis of available funds and the requests for need.

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

I wonder if we realize the power of the written word. How much has your life been influenced or affected by the things you have read?

The Bible teaches in Proverbs 23:7, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he". In other words whatever we keep our minds filled with, we eventually become. That is why it is very important that we fill our minds with clean, pure and inspirational thoughts. What better way to do that than to keep ourselves surrounded with good clean, spirit filled literature.

One of the most important things that a parent can fo for his child is to help him develop real love for good literature. When this has been accomplished, the child will have a lasting distaste for and actually find very disgusting so much of this filthy literature that is flooding our magazine stands today.

I am glad our Southern Baptist Convention has seen this great need, and has been able to supply us with such a variety of helpful books, magazines, leaflets, Sunday School quarterlies, Training Union, and W.M.U. materials. There is something good for every age group from cradle roll to senior citizens.

Needless to say, the Bible is the foundation for all good literature. Without its teachings as a background, most all other literature would be meaningless. The Bible is the only book that tells us who we are, why we are here, and where we are going.

Every child from Junior age on up should have his own personal copy of the Bible. He should be taught to read it carefully, prayerfully, and regularly.

Last, but not least, I would like to call your attention to the importance of our Baptist State paper, "The Biblical Recorder". Without its out spoken comments and keeping us aware of the things taking place in our churches down through the years, we would not be the strong denomination that we are today. To be a well-informed Baptist we should read it regularly. If we are well informed, there is much less danger of misunderstanding and confusion. I find that the BIBLICAL RECORDER has proved faithful in trying to give all the information available on both sides of any issue that comes up, and in doing this has helped all parties concerned to be better qualified to make decisions. A copy should be a "must" in every family.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nelle E. McCoury

BIBLICAL RECORDER

This has been another good year for the BIBLICAL RECORDER, thanks to your support and confidence. One of the milestones reached in the past year was passing the 100,000 mark in the circulation. This occurred in May and circulation has now risen to nearly 106,000—the highest in the 140-year history of the RECORDER. This has been achieved largely because more churches are putting the RECORDER in the budget, thus saving money and also time and effort that is put forth each year to renew their subscriptions under the Club Plan of four or more.

All of these things are encouraging to those getting out the RECORDER each week. They feel their obligation to North Carolina Baptists is to get out the finest paper possible—one that is attractive and filled with interesting and helpful material. In addition, news coverage of meetings such as the Committee of 11 is needed if North Carolina Baptists are to settle this issue which has come up in the last two state conventions. Associate Editor Toby Druin has covered every meeting of this committee which is studying the baptism issue in our state. The RECORDER will carry the full report of this committee 60 days before the convention meets in Greensboro. The RECORDER's coverage of these important meetings will do much to help messengers arrive at the right decision in November. This is the Baptist way—full information which comes with freedom of the press.

As you know, the RECORDER has for years led the fight against liquor by the drink. Now the issue is up to the people in a statewide referendum on November 6. The RECORDER will

continue to give you information that will help win this fight against the liquor interests and those who would profit from liquor by the drink if this passes—which we hope and pray it won't. If individual Baptists will become as concerned about this evil as the RECORDER is, a great victory for decency will be won in November.

Those of you who receive the RECORDER know what it contains each week—timely editorials, news of your fellow Baptist churches and fellow Christians, excellent photographs and covers, interesting personal columns, Letters to the Editor, and many other features. It is a Baptist Family Journal devoted to that which is wholesome and helpful.

Those of you who don't get the RECORDER should subscribe immediately, either by putting the RECORDER in your budget for only $2.50 a year or by starting a club of four or more for only $3.00 a year. Where else can you get so much for so little?

Respectfully Submitted,
J. Marse Grant, Editor
BIBLICAL RECORDER

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

We have our colleges and other educational institutions. Our young people who attend these institutions are blessed.

Our colleges stand ready to help the young people. I received a letter recently saying that no student will be turned away because of lack of money.

Let us encourage our young people to attend our Baptist Colleges.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Roby Painter

REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC.
1973

Hundreds of children, scattered between Manteo and Murphy, are dependent upon North Carolina Baptists and other friends for whatever opportunities and security life will afford them. Child care as practiced by the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina is a ministry dedicated to serving these children and to the strengthening of Christian family life. In reality, it is a ministry of missions, evangelism, education, conservation, rehabilitation, love and affection, Christian discipline and, undergirding all, it is a ministry of redemption—and, we believe, close to the heart of our Lord.

The largest segment of our children live on campuses at Mills Home, Thomasville; Kennedy Home, Kinston; Odum Home, Pembroke; Greer Home, Chapel Hill; Wall Home, Wallburg; and Broyhill Home at Waynesville. Provision is made on these campuses for brothers and sisters to live together in family cottages wherever building styles permit. Cottage parents, consisting of husband and wife teams, live and work with the children in as nearly home-like situations as possible. Life for them includes study, work, recreation, and worship as it does in the average family.

We provide a variety of services to families. These are designed to offer counseling in an effort to prevent family breakdown, to help families work through crisis experiences, and to assist them at the point of rehabilitation. To make this kind of assistance more readily available where it is needed, we have trained personnel living and working out of centers as follows: Waynesville, Asheville, Charlotte, Thomasville, Raleigh, Kinston, Fayetteville and Pembroke. These people are accessible to all areas of the state and are subject to call as needed.

Our services continue to be strengthened in western North Carolina. Several additions have

been made on the Broyhill Home campus. Two new cottages were completed and occupied in January of this year, increasing the capacity of that campus to approximately fifty boys and girls. The lake has been completed and stocked with Rainbow Trout. The circular drive has been extended and considerable landscaping and beautification is in evidence. An administration building and recreation building are to be added in the near future.

We are dependent upon our Baptist people and other friends for financial support through the Cooperative Program, the Thanksgiving Offering and special gifts. Without these sources of income we could not continue to operate. In behalf of hundreds of boys and girls for whom you provide opportunities for growth physically, mentally, emotionally, socially, and spiritually, we express our appreciation.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

One of the most meaningful things that you do as a Baptist is the share that you have in the ministry of your North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging. As you look back with us upon the twenty-two years of this ministry, and the last year in particular, there are distinctive blessings that we would like to call to your mind and heart.

In the first place, there is no greater realization that we can have together than the awareness of the fact that this special ministry to older people is a venture of faith in God. It always has been. We hope that it always will be. God has brought us from one Home to five resident Homes, with two located in Winston-Salem (Resthaven and the Hayes Home), and one each in Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. These Homes have a capacity for 162 residents, and there is a Nursing Care Unit in Winston-Salem, with a capacity for 63 patients, and serving all of the Homes' residents, when nursing care is needed. Four out of every five persons who come to us in our Homes for the Aging are persons whose income is very limited. They look to you, through your love gifts, for a supplement to their care, and all of us look to the Lord continually for His great love. This, therefore, is a venture of faith.

Never forget that this is your ministry, on behalf of Christ, to older persons and that they simply could not be ministered unto without your love gifts. Specifically, during the past year, through your gifts, you contributed $185 a month for the care of the majority of the residents in your five Baptist Homes. Through the Special Offering you contributed 20% of the total income of the Homes, and through the Cooperative Program, you gave 10% of the total budget needed. The tie that binds this ministry to the hearts of our Baptist people and our Baptist Churches is a very special one and a very distinctive one indeed.

Be glad also for the fact that your love gifts make possible quality care. It has often been said of the ministry of our Baptist Homes that there is no finer care that an older person can receive this side of Heaven than the care given in our Homes for the Aging. Everything that we do for Christ should be this way, and we are certainly trying to give Him our best day by day in our ministry to the older people in our care. There is someone serving around the clock watching over the residents and patients even as they sleep. One of our Supervisors, or "Mothers," as they are often called was given the name of "Guardian Angel," when a resident, during an illness discovered later that the "Mother" was keeping vigil just outside her door.

God bless you for your share in this ministry to the Aging, which is both special and distinctive. Pray for us, come to see us, and continue to support this ministry as liberally and loyally in the future as you have in the past.

TEMPERANCE AND MORALS

Liquor by the drink in North Carolina: Do we need it? Can we afford it? We say "No". The question is not whether you approve or disapprove of social drinking. The question is whether it is worth what it costs to legalize the sale ot liquor by the drink.

It is time to look objectively at the total impact of liquor by the drink. What will legal sale of

liquor by the drink do to the control concept in North Carolina? What will legal sale mean to our state, to our communities, our businesses, our families, and to us personally?

The real issue at stake is the consequences of the legal sale of liquor by the drink. A few of the consequences of which we should be aware are:

1. Increased Highway Accidents and Deaths

Alcohol is a depressent and makes its first attack upon the higher nerve centers of the brain. It causes a person to lose judgement and self control and throw caution to the wind. He is less able to cope with accident situations. You don't have to feel drunk to be too drunk to drive. A single drink can dim one's vision, slow his reflexes, and warp his judgement. A little more than a 2 ounce shot of liquor makes one twice as liable to have an accident.

It is significant that repeated surveys have laid the blame at the feet of drinking drivers in 50% or more of the fatal accidents. It is clear that even a moderate drinker as a driver is an accident prone driver. Can we imagine the figures if liquor by the drink is legalized?

No one can put a value on a life that has been snuffed out. The tragic toll of lives lost on the nation's highways concern every thinking person. The number of deaths increase in spite of increased law enforcement and safety education efforts.

2. Increased Drinking and Increased Alcoholism

Proponents of this proposal contend that it will result in less drinking. This is contrary to successful business operations. To increase volume, businessmen know they must increase outlets for their product. Hence, the more gas stations the more gas sold. The sale and use of a product increases as the number of outlets is increased. When it is readily available and a desire for it has been created through advertising and promotion, the sale and use of the product will increase. The merchandising of alcoholic beverages follows the same principles of all other merchandising.

The availability of beverage alcohol is one of the determining factors in the number of alcoholics. The QUARTERLY JOURNAL OF STUDIES ON ALCOHOL states: "The degree of availability must be considered as partially determining the vastly greater number of alcolholics than opiate addicts in the United States". It is clear that both the addictive quality of ethyl alcohol and the availability of liquor to the drinker combine to increase the number of alcholics. Some advocates insist that liquor by the drink teaches those who drink to be more temperate or more moderate in their use of alcoholic beverages. But it seems to be obvious that the primary aim of liquor by the drink legalization is not to sell less, but rather to increase the number of consumers and the frequency of consumption at many additional outlets. Thus increasing the drinking and the number of alcoholics.

3. Does Liquor by the Drink Increase Tourism, Conventions, Business and Attract Industry?

This is a favorite claim of the advocates of liquor by the drink legislation. But how many statistics have we seen to back up this assumption? A State Highway Department survey in Michigan recently polled some 150,000 tourists through their information centers as to why they chose Michigan for their vacation. There was no indication that tourists came to drink.

With the possible exception of some business that plans to sell alcoholic beverages, it is very unlikely that liquor by the drink would be a reason or deciding factor for any industry locating in North Carolina.

According to the present concept of control, all of the profits from the sale of whiskey in this state accrue to the state or its sub divisions. To legalize liquor by the drink would introduce the profit motive into the sale of this product. Do we want to change the North Carolina Concept of Control? There is no hardship at present in securing spirits for those who want them. North Carolina has less of the many social ills than numerous states that sell liquor by the drink.

Let's keep it a good place to live.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Richard Porter

EVANGELISM REPORT

In our evangelism effort this year of 1972 and 1973, in the Avery Association, we had a two week Crusade at the elementary school gymnasium in Newland. Rev. Mack Hodges was the visiting Evangelist. Rev. Frank Ellis was in charge of the music. I don't know how many of our churches participated in the effort, but I thank God for those that helped to support this Crusade. We had some of the best preaching I have heard. I also thank God for the results of the meeting. I do wish more people would have taken part in the work of the Savior and his cause. As Christians, this is our responsibility to win others to Christ. I believe that the majority of people who profess to be Christians have lost their compassion for the LOST. I did not see all done that I would like to have seen done in this Crusade, but I still believe that if we will work together as Christians, with a compassion for the lost, and with an unfeigned love for that lost person we can win the world to Christ. The Bible says we can do all things through Christ Jesus who Strengthens us.

The greatest task that God has ever given to man is to win souls to Christ Jesus, and the devine obligation of soul-winning rests without exception upon every child of God. It is for every preacher, layman, and Christian to be called in the hour of salvation to witness for Christ Jesus. Nothing in Heaven or on Earth can excuse him from it. So in closing, I say as Paul of old said. I beseech you therefore, brethern, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rev. Lloyd Ramsey
Evangelism Chairman

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

In May of this year Baptist Hospital observed its 50th Anniversary. The hospital opened its doors in May of 1923 "to bring the healing art more definitely under the dominion of the Great Healer."

The anniversary was celebrated jointly with the dedication of the new Reynolds Tower, a 16-story patient care facility. The completion of the Tower brings the total bed capacity to 655, placing Baptist Hospital within the top 10 per cent (in size) among hospitals in the United States. When the renovation of older sections of the hospital is completed the total number of beds will be 717.

Construction has begun on an ambulatory care building which will house the emergency room, several outpatient clinics, the Physical Therapy Department, and an Oncology (Cancer) Clinic and Research Laboratories. This building and the above-mentioned renovation will complete the present Medical Center Development Program.

Last November the Baptist State Convention heard the report of the Committee of 15 and adopted its recommendations. The hospital has been seeking to implement these recommendations:

1. A Medical Center Committee, composed of 8 Trustees from the Baptist Hospital Board and 8 from the Wake Forest University Board, has been appointed. This committee will consider matters involving the Medical Center and its future operation.
2. In January the hospital trustees appointed a committee of three to review appropriations from the Mother's Day fund and assist hospital personnel in making decisions on some specific requests for assistance. The hospital continues to provide care for people who cannot pay, valued at far in excess of the total Mother's Day Offering. The auditors' confirmed value of this care in 1972 was $1,390,000—nearly four times the amount of the Mother's Day Offering—and this does not include the value of the physicians' service, provided without cost to these service patients.
3. The Department of Pastoral Care is expanding its services to provide training for lay people. Dr. Mahan Siler joined the staff June 1 to head up this new work. The Department

also anticipates the establishment of several sattlelite counseling and training centers in the state, beginning in the near future. Your Cooperative Program gifts support the work of this department.

The hospital's financial operation is "in the black", and there has not been a general room rate increase in 2 1/2 years. As of this date, the Mother's Day Offerings are running ahead of last year.

Calvin Knight
Denominational Relations

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Avery Baptist Sunday School Convention met Saturday, July 14, 1973 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., at the Cranberry Baptist Church. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Robert Davis, Associational Sunday School Superintendent. The devotion was given by Rev. B. G. McMahan, reading Acts 2:1-8. The congregation sang the hymn "Stand Up For Jesus". The following churches were represented: Belview, Big Meadows, Chestnut Dale, Cranberry, Elk Park, Jonas Ridge, Mt. Pleasant, Newland, Pilgrim, Pleasant Hill, Whites Memorial. There were three pastors present. The officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Sunday School Director, Homer Calloway, Assistant Director, Roger Singleton, Secretary, Mrs. Bettie Hooks. There was an interesting discussion on "How to Improve Sunday Schools."

The Time and Place Committee report was given. The next Sunday School Convention will meet the second Saturday in July 1974 at Elk Park Baptist Church. Rev. Clearence Smith, pastor of Cranberry will bring the message.

The annual message which followed the business meeting was brought by Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill, reading Luke 22: 31-34. The subject was "The Devil Will Get You if You Don't Watch Out".

An offering was taken, amounting to $18.60.

The meeting was closed with prayer after which a delicious meal was enjoyed prepared by the ladies of the Cranberry Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Davis, Director

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

We have had some good reports from Vacation Bible Schools for 1973. Twenty-four of our twenty-nine churches reported having schools. The total enrollment reported was 1,072. There were a good number of professions of faith.

We had six workers from our association go to the state clinic at Wingate College in January. These workers in turn helped in having our own VBS clinic at Newland First Baptist Church in April. This was a great opportunity for learning and training our leaders so that we might have better schools in our association. Let us all work and pray for better Vacation Bible Schools in 1974.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate Davis

CHURCH TRAINING

How good it is to be sharing with you in another year of blessing and joy. It would be difficult to tell you of the many good things this past year has brought. We are thankful for every individual, every meeting and every opportunity the Lord has made it even the least possible to be a part of your growth and maturity in the Christian life. Some tend to believe they are born full grown, but dearly beloved, we strive to that higher calling every day that we live. Our pitfalls are due to failure of joining that race, day after day, reaching out in faith for greater heights. Motivation comes best when someone really cares. It is time, we as a Christian family, became more concerned about the actions of one another. We are failing just as Eli did. He was a godly man, with two sons the Lord had blessed him with, but he failed to teach them in the ways of God. They were attempting to lead the people and the people were suffering. God warned Eli but he failed to take heed. It lead to utter destruction. You read it over in First Samuel, the first several chapters. Then think about what our Lord said to Peter over in John 21:15-17, when he said "Feed my lambs, feed my sheep, and again to feed His Sheep". He was speaking of the Christian, because we are neither lambs, nor sheep until we are born into the fold. We have a great responsibility to the lost person, but equally so the Christian. As it has been said, "too many churchman have a Lone Ranger type religion. They rush in, save a soul, and ride off in a cloud of dust with a Hi-Ho Silver"! Oft times, we as witnesses of the Gospel, express our love of God in words. We say we know He will supply all our needs, and yet we go into the world for that care. Somehow this doesn't exemplify the kind of faith we proclaim. If we'll go back to the preceding verses of John 21:15, we'll find the physical needs had been supplied. The Master turned to Simon Peter and said "lovest thou me more than these?".

God help us, each one, to see ourselves as He sees us. May we work together for a stronger family in the Lord so that we can go forth as more than conquers in this lost and dying world.

Thank you, Gail Draughon, for your help, encouragement, and inspiration, this past year as Assistant Director. It has been a long time since any one has given as much of themselves in training work. We shall look forward to working with David Johnson of the Crossnore Church this coming year at Assistant Director. Davis has also accepted the Lord's call to proclaim His word.

We thank Mt. Pleasant, Elk Park, and Big Meadows for their warm hospitality as hosts for some of our Associational programs. Big Madows was host for "M" Night, and Jonas Ridge received the attendance banner. It was a joy to have our Area Missionary, Rev. Jim Lambert, with us at our annual meeting in the Elk Park Church. We hope to see much more of him.

We have several new training programs, and some who are trying new approaches. Keep up the good work. In the coming year we have some exciting new ventures in mind. Hope you will share with us and may we share more together.

Thank you for your trust in us for the new year. May we prove worthy of the banner of responsibility you have privileged us with. May we leave you a thought in turn, "Church-The Sunday Night Place". You will be hearing more about it as time passes.

Yes, words into action-that's training. You are richer today than you were yesterday-if you have laughed often, given something, forgiven even more, made a new friend today or made stepping stones of stumbling-blocks, if you have thought more in terms of "thyself" than of "myself", or if you have succeeded in being cheerful even if you were weary. You are richer tonight than you were this morning—if you have taken time to trace the handwork of God in the commonplace things of life, or if you have learned to count out things that really do not count, or if you have been a little blinder to the faults of friend or foe. You are richer if a child has smiled at you, or a stray dog has licked your hand, or if you have looked for the best in others and have given others the best in you. Just a few characteristics of maturing discipleship.

God bless each of you. May this be a fruitful year for you and your church under the leadership of His Spirit.

Yours in Christ,
Bettie C. Hooks

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

It has been a blessing to serve as your WMU Director in the Avery Association for another year. We have 14 WMU organizations now, but we would like to see an increase this coming year. Churches, don't you know what you are missing when you fail to teach missions to your women and young people?

The highlight this year was our annual meeting in May. Miss Floryene Miller a retired missionary from Japan, was our guest. She brought with her one of her co-workers, Mrs. Miyoka Dan, a native of Japan. It was great as she gave her testimony for Jesus in Japanese, with Miss Miller interpting for her. This was a part of our Lottie Moon Christmas Offering in action.

The G.A.'s and Acteens did a good job with their Mission Fair and Mother-Daughter Banquet. You that missed these meetings, missed a real blessing. I want to commend all of our Association Officers and church WMU's for their support and cooperation. I hope that we as Christian women will hand down the mission story as the women in the New Testament handed the story down to us.

The New Testament carries an impressive honor roll of women whose faith and service warranted their story being told. The widow for her faithfulness in stewardship; Mary and Martha, for their home which afforded a haven for Christ; Dorcas, for her use of her womanly talents, to make clothes for the needy; and Lydia, a wealthy business woman, for organizing a prayer group among women which later grew into one of the first house churches.

The present day Christian woman has more training and access to greater resources than at any other time in history. She has the opportunity to receive as much education as she desires. She can earn a comfortable living. The church that recognizes these facts will profit by utilizing her skills and leading to develop good stewardship. However this will be difficult to do if she is continually reduced to a subordinate in leadership responsibility and given no opportunity to help determine how the money she helps give is used. This is an area in which much thought and planning is needed in Baptist Churches.

Respectfully submitted by,
Mrs. E. O. Bustle

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Brothers and sisters of the Avery Baptist Association, I am well pleased to report to you that the Baptist Churches have given more in 1972 than in the last four years. This report shows that the churches in the Association are working together. If, somehow, we could get all 29 churches in the Association to cooperate in our giving we could make 1974 the greatest year yet.

In 1971 the gifts to World Missions was $21,833: in 1972 it increased to $33,081. Records show that all phases of work in the Association are growing. We thank God for this and find that God's word is true when we read Acts 20:35, that it is more blessed to give than to receive. To grow in grace is to grow in stewardship. Let all of us grow together in 1974.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill

CHURCH MUSIC REPORT

"Nor we which behold the present days,
Have eyes to wonder, but lack tongues to praise,"

Daily in this decade in which we live our eyes behold wonders, even miracles, by means of travel, television, hearing and seeing. We see the uttermost parts of the earth and even the

moon. We hear the chanting sounds of people in parts of the earth trying to quench their souls desires and longing for Christ; trying to appease idols they try to worship, even to the offering of a childs life. We should be concerned with the lost as we see him; lost and unaware that he is lost. From the jungles of Africa to the mansions of the United States of America, if we could only turn the vision around and let the lost see the Christian. The greatest testimony we could give would be how we live toward God, not how high in society, and the praise to God, our tongues could give.

Glorious the Northern Lights astream,
Glorious the song when God is the theme.

How much praise have you given God in your church this year? True, direct praise to Him who made us, brought us back, loves and sustains us? May the life of each person in the Avery Association be an instrument of praise to God.

"If to do were as easy as to know what were good to do" describes myself in the past year in the work of Associational Music. We now compete for time of the individuals against his own plans, plans by his local church, civic groups, his pleasure and employment. This is true of any meeting, but especially of any on a county wide basis. This is the reason that so few meetings are scheduled. It is preferable to work in the individual church, or an area of them in the association. If we do schedule a musical event it will be so as to benefit each individual in the individual church. I request approval to select someone to help in Music this year, and be approved by the Executive Committee, as I have contacted those in mind.

"In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare; but the righteous doth sing and rejoice". Proverbs 29:6

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Johnson

COMMITTEES TO REPORT NEXT SESSION 1974

Sunday School	Homer Calloway
Church Training	Bettie Hooks
Vacation Bible School	Mrs. Robert Davis
Church Music	Kenneth Johnson
Christian Education	Rev. Roby Painter
Temperance and Morals	Rev. Richard Porter
Baptist Hospital	Mrs. Pauline Dellinger
Christian Literature	Mrs. Nell McCoury
Children's Homes	Rev. Stephen Baughman
Homes For The Aging	John Hayes
Evangelism	Rev. Jimmy Upton
Womens Missionary Union	Mrs. Ellen Bustle
Associational Missions	Rev. E. O. Bustle
Foreign Missions	Rev. B. G. McMahan
Home Missions	Rev. Carson Eggers
Cooperative Program	Rev. Jerry Burleson
History	Dr. Shelby Vance
Obituaries	Mrs. J. C. Brown
Brotherhood Director	Gerald Aldridge
Stewardship	Rev. J. R Puett

HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	MEETING PLACE	MODERATOR
1912	Aaron	W. H. Ollis
1913	Pleasant Hill	S. M. Pittman
1914	Big Meadows	C. C. Bryant
1915	Jonas Ridge	W. H. Ollis
1916	Yellow Mountain	W. H. Ollis
1917	Roaring Creek	D. A. Greene
1918	Green Valley	D. A. Greene
1919	Crossnore	D. A. Greene
1920	Minneapolis	S. M. Pittman
1921	Beech Mountain	R. T. Lewis
1922	Pleasant Hill	R. T. Lewis
1923	Newland	N. S. Hampton
1924	Elk Valley	N. S. Hampton
1925	Chestnut Dale	N. S. Hampton
1926	Green Valley	N. S. Hampton
1927	Big Meadows	N. S. Hampton
1928	Jonas Ridge	N. S. Hampton
1929	Yellow Mountain	N. S. Hampton
1930	Roaring Creek	N. S. Hampton
1931	Aaron	K. L. Haga
1932	Crossnore	K. L. Haga
1933	Powdermill	Ed. W. Buchanan
1934	Mt. Pleasant	Ed. W. Buchanan
1935	Beech Mountain	Ed. W. Buchanan
1936	Pineola	G. D. Danner
1937	Flat Springs	G. D. Danner
1938	Green Valley	V. W. Greene
1939	Fall Creek	V. W. Greene
1940	Newland	V. W. Greene
1941	Yellow Mountain	V. W. Greene
1942	Elk Valley	V. W. Greene
1943	Belview	R. T. Teague
1944	Elk Park	R. T. Teague
1945	Pleasant Hill & Minneapolis	R. L. Painter
1946	Jonas Ridge & Oak Grove	D. N. Jones
1947	Cranberry	D. N. Jones
1948	Powdermill	V. W. Greene
1949	Crossnore & Mt. Pleasant	D. N. Jones
1950	Aaron & Newland	J. W. Costner
1951	Elk Valley & Valley Haven	J. C. Brown
1952	Sugar Mountain & Big Meadows	Mack Hodge
1953	Belview & Minneapolis	Mack Hodge
1954	Fairview & Whites Mem.	Mack Hodge
1955	Flat Springs & Beech Mt.	Mack Hodge
1956	Pleasant Hill & Newland	D. N. Jones
1957	Crossnore & Chestnut Dale	Ira Hodges
1958	Fall Creek & Roaring Creek	Howard Hodges
1959	Elk Park & Cranberry	Howard Hodges
1960	Oak Grove & Stamey Town	G. H. Dellinger
1961	Aaron & Jonas Ridge	G. H. Dellinger
1962	Minneapolis & Pleasant Hill	Marion C. (Billy) Smith

1963	Beech Mt. & Elk Valley	Marion C. (Billy) Smith
1964	Powdermill & Belview	D. N. Jones
1965	Valley Haven & Cranberry	Raymond Turbyfill
1966	Flat Springs & Fall Creek	Raymond Turbyfill
1967	Yellow Mt. & Whites Mem.	Raymond Turbyfill
1968	Pleasant Hill & Big Meadows	Joe R. Puett
1969	Beech Mt. & Mt. Pleasant	Joe R. Puett
1970	Crossnore & Minneapolis	Max Holland
1971	Newland & Aaron	Robert Lindley
1972	Belview & Beech Mt.	Robert Lindley
1973	~~Cranberry~~ & Chestnut Dale Big Meadows	Lee Pittman

OBITUARIES 1973

Our Beloved Dead

AARON: Rev. L. L. Estep, Mr. Fonze Henderson, Mrs. Senia Henderson
BEECH MOUNTAIN: Mr. Robert Church
BIG MEADOWS: Mr. Gaither Johnson, Mr. Schuyler Carpenter
CHESTNUT DALE: Mrs. Julia Wright
CROSSNORE: Mrs. Ella Clark
ELK VALLEY: Mrs. Ella Bailiff
MINNEAPOLIS: Mr. Waits Holtsclaw, Deacon
NEWLAND: Mr. Rathe Hughes, Mr. S. B. Lacey, Sr., Mr. Paul M. Vance, Mrs. Minnie B. Wilson
PILGRIM: Mr. Coy Johnson
PLEASANT HILL: Mr. Henry Thomas, Mr. Parnel Carpenter, Mr. Eldridge Gribble, Mrs. Lona Gribble, Mrs. Mary Vance
PLEASANT VALLEY: Warrney Guinn, Finley Guinn, Mrs. May Brewer
YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Lottie Calloway, Mr. Gipp Calloway

Dear ones, God has called from us a host of our brothers and sisters in Christ, from this life of sin and sorrow to a beautiful life beyond. In this Life beyond there is no more pain or death, no more heartaches, and no more sorrow. Paul tells us in I Corinthians, Chapter 15, "What a comfort for the trusting child of God to know the day is coming when all will be changed for the better; so that through out the endless ages of eternity they will be forever with God". So let us keep looking up and praising God for our redemption draweth nigh, and Heaven will be our reward forever.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, for they shall rest from their sorrow, and their works do follow them." Yes, a humble, consecrated life always leaves its impact upon the sould it touches. May all of us be such radiant Christians that we will glow with the power of His wonderful grace.

Help me walk so close to Thee
That those who know me best can see,
I live as Godly as I pray—
That Christ is real from day to day.

O God, make our lives so full of Jesus that they can only be explained in terms of deity.

Humbly submitted,
Mrs. J. C. Brown

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Clerk: MRS. JOHNNIE SHELL
Address: Rt. 2, Box 148A City: Newland State: North Carolina Zip: 28657

1—Open Country; 2—Village (under 500 pop.); 3—Town (500-2499); 4—Small City (2500-9,999); Medium City (10,000-49,999): 5—Downtown, 6—Neighborhood, 7—Suburban; Large City (50,000 or more): 8—Downtown, 9—Neighborhood, 0—Suburban

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
			1	2	3		11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	23	24	25
Aaron	Stephen Baughman, Montezuma 28653	Avery	1858	2	x		0	4	3	132	27	159	0	0		50000	0
Beech Mountain	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove 28679	Avery	1869	1		x	0	1	6	79	62	142	0	0			0
Belview	Harry Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1922	1		x	1	0	10	70	50	120	0	0			0
Big Meadows	James Beaver, Rt. 2, Box 53, Burnsville 28714	Avery	1845	1	x		5	3	5	85	90	175	0	0		25000	0
Chestnut Dale	Marion Duncan, Rt. 1, Rutherfordton	Avery	1903	1		x	0	6	1	38	12	50	0	0		25000	0
Cranberry	Clearence Smith, Rt. 1, Jonesboro, Tenn.	Avery	1908	2		x	6	5	5	145	50	195	0	0		40000	0
Crossnore	J. R. Puett, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1907	3	x		30	10	3	308	275	583	4	0	15000	150000	12800
Elk Park	Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	Avery	1917	3	x		1	0	1	58	22	80	0	0		43000	0
Elk Valley	Ward Sims, Elk Park 28622	Avery	1882	1		x	8	3	3	86	109	195	0	0		65000	900
Fall Creek	Lawrence Hagaman, Rt. 1, Sugar Grove 28679	Avery	1885	1		x	0	3	5	86	64	150	0	2		15000	0
Green Valley	Jeff Willis, R. R. Bakersville 28705	Avery	1886	1	x		0	0	5	22	75	97	0	1		35000	3697
Henson Creek	Paul E. Pittman, Spruce Pine 28777	Avery	1900	1		x	4	0	2	106	46	152	1	0		20000	0
Jonas Ridge	Richard Porter, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Burke	1887	1	x		2	4	3	128	71	199	0	0	8000	25000	0
Minneapolis	Clifford Phillips, Minneapolis 28652	Avery		2	x		0	7				130	0	0		50000	0
Mount Pleasant	Lawrence Hagaman, Rt. 1, Sugar Grove 28679	Avery	1869	1		x	2	0	0	62	40	102	0	0		20000	0
Newland, First	Jack Bryant, Newland 28657	Avery	1921	3	x		2	7	8	282	77	359	0	0	25000	185700	26700
Oak Grove	Earl Carver, Jr., Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Avery	1900	1	x		18	8	0	130	26	156	0	0		30000	6000
Pilgrim	Harry Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1964	2	x		4	3	1	56	19	75	0	0		20000	0
Pineola	Jerry Burleson, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1913	1	x		0	0	0	61	0	61	0	0			0
Pleasant Hill	B. B. McMahon, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	Avery	1905	1	x		9	5	9	220	149	369	0	1	15000	55000	0
Powdermill	Jimmy Upton, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	Avery	1914	1	x		1	1	2	76	11	87	1	0		15000	0
Stameytown	Carson Eggers, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock 28605	Avery	1947	1		x	1	5	0	41	37	78	0	0	9000	30000	200
Sugar Mountain	Alfred C. Jones, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1950	1		x	0	0	0	26	21	47	0	0		35000	2000
Valley Haven	Lloyd Ramsey, Box 353, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1948	2	x		0	5	4	39	28	67	0	0		35000	0
Whites Memorial	Lee Pittman, Ingalls Rural Station, Newland	Avery	1949	1	x		5	3	3	118	5	123	0	0		15000	0
Yellow Mountain	Homer Murdock, Spruce Pine 28777	Avery	1869	1	x		0	4	2	122	16	138	0	0	0	35000	0

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Sunday School Director: MR. HOMER CALLOWAY
Address: City: Plumtree State: N.C. Zip: 28664

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	47 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	48 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	49 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	50 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 Years)	51 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	52 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	53 Adults Away enrolment	54 Homebound Units enrolment	55 General officers enrolment	56 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	57 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	58 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	59 Number of Bible Study Fellowship classes	60 Bible Study Fellowship enrolment	61 January Bible Study enrolment	62 Weekday Bible Study enrolment	63 Bus attendance	64 Church V. B. S. enrolment	65 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	66 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Aaron	William Hayes, Montezuma 28653	9	6	14	44	19	6	12	0	0	0	110	70	1	15	0	0	0	61	0	61
Beech Mountain	Bert Truitt, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	9	8	6	14	18	0	0	0	0	0	55	55	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	22
Belview	Melvin Bowman, Altamont 28657	4	8	15	10	27	4	0	0	4	0	72	65	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	33
Big Meadows	Roger Singleton, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	9	6	11	18	25	19	0	0	0	0	88	100	1	25	0	0	0	63	0	63
Chestnut Dale	Conley Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 276A, Newland 28657	7	10	12	0	21	0	0	0	5	0	55	36	0	0	0	0	0	63	0	63
Cranberry	Larry Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	20	8	36	34	38	0	0	0	2	0	138	78	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	52
Crossnore	Edgar Edwards, Crossnore 28616	31	33	33	58	42	22	4	0	4	0	227	140	3	30	0	1	0	131	0	131
Elk Park	Joe Massee, Elk Park 28622	3	10	10	10	21	0	0	4	2	0	60	37	0	0	22	0	0	55	0	55
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	9	15	20	8	25	5	0	0	0	0	83	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fall Creek	Walter Sumpter, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	10	15	13	15	14	12	0	0	7	0	86	82	0	0	0	0	0	36	0	36
Green Valley	Robert McClellan, Rt. 1, Spruce Pine 28777	2	13	5	5	12	8	0	0	3	0	48	38	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	29
Henson Creek	Phil Pittman, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	4	6	12	24	26	3	10	4	5	0	94	55	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	35
Jonas Ridge	Russell Singleton, Rt. 2, Box 209, Newland	9	16	29	1	20	16	0	0	8	0	99	82	0	0	0	0	0	104	0	104
Minneapolis		12	12	10	10	35	5	0	0	0	0	84		0	0	0	0	0	50	0	50
Mount Pleasant	Billy McGuire, Rt. 3, Newland 28657										0	80	35	0	0	0	0	10	32	0	32
Newland, First	Robert Lacey, Newland 28657	35	62	55	21	44	21	0	0	0	0	238	136	0	0	0	0	0	132	0	132
Oak Grove	Andy Taylor, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	20	15	15	30	40	10	0	0	14	0	144	100	1	45	45	0	0	55	0	55
Pilgrim	Wesley Sluder, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	9	0	8	21	5	7	0	0	0	0	50	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pineola	George Smith, Pineola., 28662										0		40	0	0	0	0	0	40	0	40
Pleasant Hill	Verne Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	20	15	25	30	43	35	0	0	2	0	170	117	0	0	0	0	15	84	0	84
Powdermill	Will McKinny, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	5	6	8	10	25	10	0	0	8	0	72	68	0	0	20	0	0	40	0	40
Stameytown	Daymond Pritchard, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	10	17	27	0	26	0	1	0	2	0	83	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Sugar Mountain	David Braswell, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	5	5	1	6	13	5	0	0	12	6	47	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Banner Elk 28604	4	5	6	12	15	0	0	2	6	0	50		0	0	18	0	0	46	0	46
Whites Memorial	Finley Love, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	16	13	25	25	31	5	0	0	5	10	130	71	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	52
Yellow Mountain	Harold Dellinger, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	17	13	19	17	40	3	0	0	10	0	119	80	1	30	0	0	0	50	0	50

TABLE C TRAINING UNION 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Training Union Director: BETTIE C. HONKS
Address: Rt. 2, Box 160 City: Newland State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	67 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	68 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	69 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	70 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	71 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	72 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	73 General officers enrolment	74 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	75 Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	76 Average weekly Church Training attendance	77 New Member Orientation: Registration	78 New Member Orientation: Completed	79 Church Leader Training: Registration	80 Church Leader Training: Completed	81 Church Leader Training: Projects	82 Member Training Projects: Registration	83 Member Training Projects: Completed
Belview	Walter Gouge, Cranberry 28614	2	2	9	3	5	2	2	0	25	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Big Meadows	Frank Benfield, Rt. 3 Newland 28657	0	0	8	12	10	3	2	0	35	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cranberry	Gary Greene, Cranberry 28614	0	4	4	0	5	0	2	0	15	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crossnore	David Johnson, Crossnore 28616	3	6	12	3	17	1	6	0	48	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elk Park	Jeff Sims, Elk Park 28622	0	9	6	0	8	0	1	0	24		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elk Valley	Troy Blair, Rt. 2, Banner Elk 28604	9	26	25		12	6	12	0	92	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Green Valley	Ernest Barrier, Box 723, Spruce Pine 28777	1	4	5		9	0	2	0	21	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jonas Ridge	Issac Barrier, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	10	7	9		7	3	3	0	43	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pineola	Rev. Jerry Burleson, Crossnore 28662					12			0	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Hill	Taylor Hicks, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	2	10	15		24	5	2	0	74	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Powdermill	Jimmy Freeman, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	3	6		10	0	2	0	23	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stameytown	Eddie Buchannan	3	6	5		11	0	5	0	34	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valley Haven		4	5	8		6	0	6	0	33		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whites Memorial	Ted Burleson, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	5	0	7		11	0	6	0	33	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Music Director: KENNETH JOHNSON
Address: City: Crossnore State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	84 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	85 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	86 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	87 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	88 Handbell ringers enrolment	89 Vocal ensemble enrolment	90 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	91 General officers enrolment	92 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	93 Total ongoing church music enrolment	94 Average weekly church music attendance	95 Church music study group enrolment
Aaron	Margaret Braswell, Newland 28657	0	0	4	18	0	0	0	0	0	22	15	0
Belview	Walter Gouge, Cranberry 28614	0	8	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	33	25	0
Big Meadows		0	0	0	0	0	15	1	2	0	18	15	0
Crossnore	Margant Ollis, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0											
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28662	0	10	10	12	0	0	0	0	0	32	28	0
Green Valley	Minnie Barriu, Box 723, Spruce Pine 28777	1	9	2	4	0	0	0	2	0	18	12	16
Newland	Doris Greene, Newland 28657	0		1	23	0					24	15	0
Pleasant Hill	Allen Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 103, Newland 28657	2	12	15	18	0	0	0	2	0	49	40	0
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchannan, Plumtree 28664	3	4	8	11	0	0	0	2	0	28	18	0

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational WMU Director: MRS. ELLEN BUSTLE
Address: Rt. 2, Box 126B — City: Newland — State: N. C. — Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	96 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	97 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	98 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	99 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	100 Baptist Women (30 and over)	101 Mission(s) of church	102 Total number of organizations	103 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	104 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	105 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	106 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	107 Baptist Women (30 and over)	108 WMU officers	109 Mission(s) of church	110 Total WMU enrolment
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
Aaron	Pauline Sudderth, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	15
Cranberry	Mrs. Johnnie McCovry, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	3	0	14
Crossnore	Mrs. George Johnson, Crossnore 28616	1	0	1	0	1	0	3	7	0	10	0	20	0	0	37
Elk Park	Mrs. R. C. Isaacs, Elk Park 28622	0	1	1	0	1	0	3		6	12	0	6	3	0	27
Jonas Ridge	Sandra Henderson, Jonas Ridge 28641	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	5	13	0	11	3	0	22
Mt. Pleasant	Geraldine Boles, Rt. 2, Newland 28657					1	0	1				0				
Newland	Mrs. Bob Banner, Newland 28657					1	0	1					12	0	0	12
Pineola	Mrs. Shelby Vance, Pineola 28662		1	1	0	1	0	3		10	5	0	6	0	0	21
Pleasant Hill	Linda Buchannon, Newland 28657	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	8	7	2	9	0	0	27
Stameytown	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland 28657	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	13	5	0	7	2	0	27
Valley Haven	Josiline Ramsey, Banner Elk 28604					1	0									
Whites Memorial	Mrs. Onie Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	14
Yellow Mountain	Eula Dellinger, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	5	6	0	13

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Brotherhood Director: GERALD ALDRIDGE
Address: City: Crossnore — State: N. C. — Zip: 28662

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	111 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	112 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	113 RA leader and committee	114 Baptist Young Men enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	115 Baptist Men enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	116 Baptist Senior Men (60 and over or retirement and over)	117 Other Baptist men groups	118 Brotherhood director	119 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	120 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Crossmore	Gerald Ardridge, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	7	3	2	0	10	0	0	2	0	24
Jonas Ridge	Richard Daniels, Rt. 2, Box 181, Newland 28657	5	3	1	0	11	0	0	2	0	22
Pleasant Hill		10	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Stameytown	Tommy Carpenter, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	8	3	1	0	9	0	0	2	0	23

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Treasurer: MRS. JOHNNIE SHELL
Address: Rt. 2, Box 148A — City: Newland — State: N. C. — Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	19 Number of tithers	20 Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year: None	Forward Program	Other	21 Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	22 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	121 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	122 All other receipts	123 Total receipts	124 Money borrowed during the year	125 Church staff salaries	126 Money paid out on new construction during the year	127 Debt retirement during the year	128 Church literature	129 All other local expenditures	130 Total local expenditures
Aaron	John Hayes, Montezuma 28653	18		x		5	1	16223	0	16223	0		5173	2727	288	3486	11676
Beech Mountain	Wilma Story, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	9	x			0	0	3587	0	3587	0	1672	0	0	159	919	2750
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	7	x			0	0	6190	0	6190	0	1285	2533	0	326	0	8145
Big Meadows	Lawrence Carpenter, Rt. 3, Box 233, Newland	20	x			0	0	10964	36	11000	0	3860	1004	1015	147	1056	7082
Chestnut Dale	Robert Sluder, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	15	x			0	0	4493	0	4493	0	1580	824	0	172	750	3326
Cranberry	Mildred Greene, Box 335, Cranberry 28614		x			4½	3½	11003	0	11003	2000	1800	4046	2000	324	1057	9227
Crossnore	Lois W. Clark, Box 6, Crossnore 28616	40		x		4	1	31831	1320	33051	0	6710	0	9361	550	9283	25904
Elk Park	David Heaton, Elk Park 28622		x			0	0	5697	0	5697	0	2100	0	0	600	2254	5254
Elk Valley	Mrs. Floy Aldridge, Rt. 2, Box 22, Banner Elk	21	x			0	0	11417	0	11417	1500	2300	1100	0	712	5936	12455
Fall Creek	Laura Parlier, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	5	x			0	0	6990	125	7115	0	1528	0	0	235	955	2718
Green Valley	John Slayton, 501 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine	6	x			0	0	5225	0	5225	4500	1370	6412	1112	258	1129	10281
Henson Creek	Lee Burleson, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland 28657	11	x			0	0	7052	0	7052	0	4370	1800	0	90	450	6710
Jonas Ridge	Kathelene Freeman, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	20		x		8	1.8	13241	0	13241	0	4550	0	2872	295	2369	10086
Minneapolis	Ruth Young, Minneapolis 28652		x			0	0	14803	0	14803	0	5500	0	0	235	1605	7340
Mt. Pleasant	Virgil Blalock, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	8	x			0	0	15383	0	15383	0	1800	0	0	125		3139
Newland, First	Bruce W. Daniels, Newland 28657							26556	0	26556	0	3715	0	16485	686	4069	24915
Oak Grove	Hazel Vance, Box 112, Newland 28657	10	x			0	0	40000	0	40000	30000	6608	20000	0	200	1875	28683
Pilgrim	Wesley Sluder, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	10	x			0	0	4449	0	4449	0	1380	1051	0	118	824	3373
Pineola	Maurice Lindecamp, Pineola 28662		x			0	0					2600	541	0	150	2837	6128
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	40	x			0	0	14235	0	14235	0	5685	0	0	609	6337	12629
Powdermill	Jack Buchannan, Rt. 1, Newland		x			0	0	10155	0	10155	0	5560	0	0	194	1640	7394
Stameytown	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland	18	x			0	0	6242	100	6342	400	3488	0	0	290	2394	6172
Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	x			8	2	2052	0	2052	0	1080	0	572	57	705	2417
Valley Haven				x		5	2	5805	0	5805	0	1880	1632	100	365	1034	5011
Whites Memorial	Mrs. Onie Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland	18		x		10	10	9488	0	9488	0	4805	310	0	229	2045	7389
Yellow Mountain	Robert Trivett, Plumtree 28664	15	x			0	0	7668	0	7668	0	5090	25	0	357	2011	7483

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Superintendent of Missions (Associational Missionary): REV. E. O. BUSTLE
Address: Rt. 2 City: Newland State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES	131 Church Sponsored Missions: Money paid out on new construction during the year	132 Church Sponsored Missions: All other church sponsored mission expenditures	133 Church Sponsored Missions: Total church sponsored mission expenditures	134 Cooperative Program	135 OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES: Associational missions program	136 Designated: State missions	137 Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	138 Designated: SBC For. Mis. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	139 Designated: Christian education (schools, etc.)	140 Designated: Children's homes (cash plus goods)	141 Designated: Hospitals	142 Designated: Homes for the aged	143 Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temp. League, etc.)	144 Total other mission cause expenditures	145 Grand Total Mission expenditures
Aaron	Carl N. Holden, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	510	120	0	0	44	0	27	14	0	0	563	768
Beech Mountain	Allen Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	201	100	0	0	39	0	52	100	0	308	599	800
Belview	Doris O. Shell, Box 313, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100	0	160	100	100	0	560	560
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Rt. 3, Box 233, Newland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	677	0	205	100	0	200	1182	1182
Chestnut Dale	Jack Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 276A, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	420	150	0	475	200	0	0	1245	1245
Cranberry	Elbert McCoury, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	150	120	25	15	40	32	58	50	50	0	400	550
Crossnore	Lois W. Clark, Box 6, Crossnore 28616	0	0	0	780	180	42	134	700	95	110	99	21	0	1381	2161
Elk Park	Mrs. John Hayward, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	569	112	0	76	63	30	64	30	30	0	405	974
Elk Valley	Lonnie Aldridge, Rt. 2, Box 22, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	208	124	0	0	332	332
Fall Creek	Cecil Crawford, Banner Elk 28622	0	0	0	147	0	0	0	0	0	225	125	0	2703	3053	3200
Green Valley	Minnie L. Barrier, Box 723, Spruce Pine 28777	0	307	307	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	100	407
Henson Creek	Mrs. Bill Goforth, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	107	207	207
Jonas Ridge	Kathy Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 181A, Newland 28657	0	0	0	603	251	135	265	405	75	75	75	75	163	1519	2122
Minneapolis	Randall Fletcher, Minneapolis 28652	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	255	244	85	1149	1733	1733
Mount Pleasant	Bill D. Daniels, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	89	0	0	0	0	715		804
Newland, First	Ruth Calloway, Box 416, Newland 28657	0	0	0	1954	243	126	146	389	25	165	135	140	145	1514	3468
Oak Grove	Ann Calhoun, Rt. 2, Box 19A, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	85	84	0	0	169	169
Pilgrim	Mack Cook, Rt. 1, Box 86A, Elk Park 27622	0	0	0	183	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	16	199
Pineola	Teena McNeely, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	435	0	0	259	85	0	45	45	0	0	434	869
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, R. 1, Box 103, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	96	0	129	1008	37	669	187	75	0	2201	2201
Powdermill	Mary Buchanan, R. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	110	0	273	39	24	521	967	967
Stameytown	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland 28657	0	0	0	132	100	0	58	104	0	50	26	41	175	554	686
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Floyd Banner, R. 2, Box 238, Newland 28657	0	0	0	156	60	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	0	160	316
Valley Haven	Linda G. Hodge, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	233	72	0	0	100	0	77	44	0	0	293	526
Whites Memorial	Dora Phillips, Rt. 2, Box 448, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	37	60	40	50	188	0	35	50	0	795	1218	1255
Yellow Mountain	Homer Murdock, Jr., Spruce Pine, 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	30	0	1024		1113

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION 1973

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Moderator: REV. LLOYD RAMSEY
Address: Box 353 City: Banner Elk State: N. C. Zip: 28604

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES	26 No. church-type missions started during the year	27 No. church-type missions currently operating	28 No. other-type missions started during the year	29 No. other-type missions currently operating	30 Does church plan or contemplate a major building program within the year?	Does church have or observe? 31 Library	32 Recreation staff	33 Day Camp	34 Ministry to language-culture group	35 Motion picture projector	36 Television program	37 Radio program	38 Christian Life committee	39 Christian Home Week	40 Witness Training (using WIN materials)	41 State paper in budget	42 Number of college students enroled in Sunday School	43 Number of deacons ordained during the year	44 Number of active deacons	45 Kindergarten enrolment	46 Day care enrolment
Aaron	Edward Sudderth, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	5	0	0
Beech Mountain	Roy McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	7	0	0
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	5	0	0
Big Meadows	Homer Calloway, Plumtree 28662	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	3	0	0
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	1	5	0	0
Cranberry	Elbert McCoury, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	8	0	0
Crossnore	Jim Vance, Jr., Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	0	2	7	0	0
Elk Park	Joe Massee, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	4	0	0
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	1	7	0	0
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	8	0	0
Green Valley	Kelby Ollis, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	3	4	0	0
Jonas Ridge	Grady Singleton, Jonas Ridge, N. C. 28641	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	0	2	8	0	0
Minneapolis	Edward Grindstaff, Minneapolis 28652	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	5	0	0
Mt. Pleasant	Nat Daniels, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	3	0	0
Newland, First	Rudd Bare, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	8	0	0
Oak Grove	Clearence Johnson, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	1	7	0	0
Pilgrim	Novel Cook, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	2	5	0	0
Pineola	Shelby Vance, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	4	0	0
Pleasant Hill	Earl Greene, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	7	0	0
Powdermill	Will McKinney, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	5	0	0
Stameytown	Masra Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	4	0	0
Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	3	0	0
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	0	3	3	0	0
Whites Memorial	Hubert Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	0	5	0	0
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchannan, Plumtree 28664	0	2	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	0	2	7	0	0

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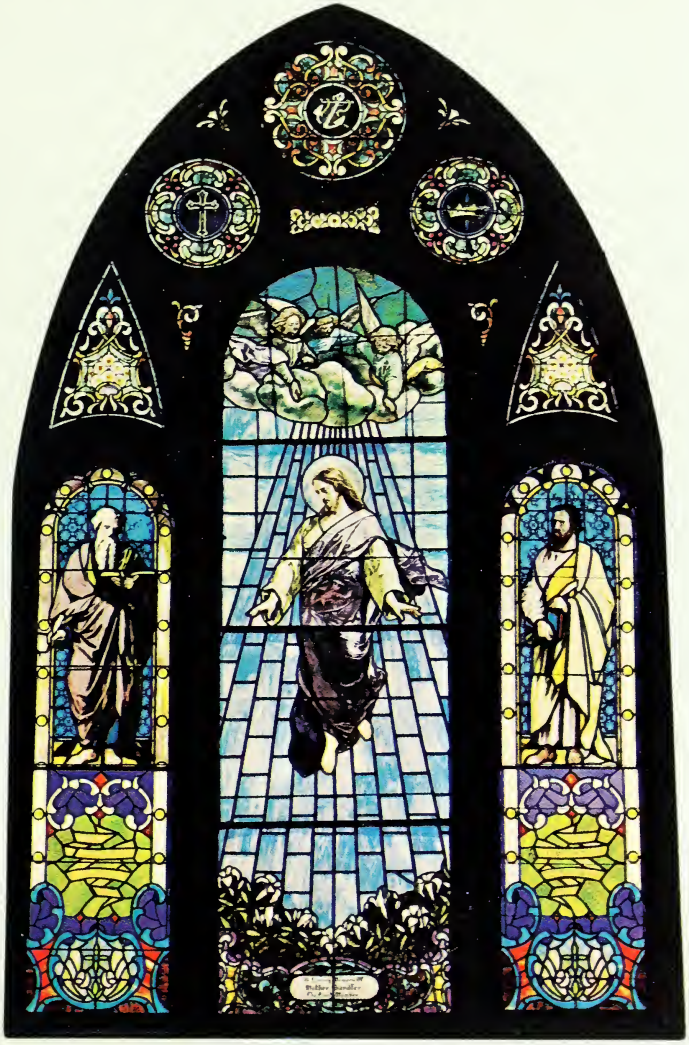

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Clerk-Treasurer ..... Patricia Shell

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Constitution

(Revised 1973)

ARTICLE I—NAME

This body shall be known as the Avery Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

It is the purpose of the Association to provide an Organization of Cooperation for the Missionary Baptist Churches affiliated with it and to encourage them to faithfulness in every endeavor which we shall undertake together in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and to encourage them in the support of the Cooperative Program of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall consist of duly elected messengers from the membership of the various churches affiliated with the body, known as the Avery Baptist Association. (1) Each church having a membership of one hundred (100) or less shall be entitled to three (3) messengers, and for each additional fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, an additional messenger; (2) The pastors who are members of the affiliated churches; (3) The duly elected officers of the Association; (4) The members of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV—AFFILIATED CHURCHES

The Missionary Baptist Churches which have petitioned for membership and by vote of the Association are considered to be in fellowship with the purpose and undertakings of this body, shall comprise the list of affiliated churches. The vote of the Association to extend fellowship or to withdraw fellowship shall be a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLES V AND VI—POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the Churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council, nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way; yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety, and intelligence of the body it may justly acclaim for itself, for its objects and recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes unorthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter more than two (2) successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats or threats with contempt its objects and requirements. Any church desiring membership in the Avery Baptist Association shall place their petition with the Executive Committee, at least three (3) months prior to the annual meeting of the Association. The petition shall furnish all information on the designated form which is furnished by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE VII—DUTIES OF THE CHURCH

It shall be the duty of the church to elect messengers and to insist their attendance at all sessions of the given Associational Meeting. It shall be the duty of the church to have their Associational letter read and approved and sufficient funds included to pay for requested number of minutes at cost of printing; The letter shall be mailed to clerk of the Association ten (10) days prior to time for the Association to meet.

ARTICLE VIII—MEETINGS

The meetings of the Avery Baptist Association shall be held annually, beginning on the first Thursday and Friday of the month of August, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE IX—OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, Historian, Sunday-School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Executive Committee. These officers shall be members of affiliated Baptist Churches and duly elected by the various organizations, subject to the approval of the Association.

Their active term of office shall begin at the beginning of the new church year on October 1st, following their election in August and continue as long as they are elected and approved by the body.

Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to act in executive capacity at all meetings; according to the principles of a presiding officer.

Vice Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Clerk-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful records of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other appointed members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. As treasurer, he or she shall keep record of all funds coming into his or her possession and an account of disbursement.

Assistant Clerk-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk-Treasurer to assist the Clerk-Treasurer in keeping records, publishing records and to act in the absence of the Clerk-Treasurer.

Historian: It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

The various heads of organizations namely, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Missions Committee and Chairman of Evangelism shall preside over the activities of these ministries and promote the working of same.

The Associational Missionary shall assist in all the mission activities of the Association and assist in all possible ways with each ministry of the Association, and specifically when requested by the Association.

The Executive Committee shall consist of (1) The officers of the Association; (2) The pastor of each church, provided he is a member of the church he represents, and one laymember of his church; (3) Two laymembers, nominated and elected by the church from the churches who do not have a pastor as a member to represent them.

The duties of the Executive Committee shall be to transact whatever business may require attention of the Association between sessions, provided that a quorum of ten (10) be present, which action shall be binding upon the Association (subject to their approval at annual session). This committee shall submit a full report of its work to the Association at each annual session, together with recommendations for the promotion and extension of the work, including the annual Associational budget.

In event that any office, constituted by any article herein, becomes vacant during the Associational year, said office may be filled for the interim by appointment of the Executive Committee.

This constitution may be altered or amended by two-thirds vote of messengers present at any annual meeting; provided such an alteration or amendment shall be submitted in writing at the first day's session and acted upon at the second day's session.

Roberts Rules of Order, in as far as applicable, shall be followed in the governing of the Avery Baptist Association.

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION 1974

AARON: John Hayes, Evelyn Holden, Bonnie Clark
BEECH MOUNTAIN: Truman Church, Lee Moore, John Trivett
BELLVIEW: Rom Huffman, Mrs. Nina Ollis, Mrs. Rhetta Gouge
BIG MEADOWS: Homer Calloway, Delzie Stamey, Ada Johnson
CHESTNUT DALE: Glenna Ollis, Norma Johnson
CRANBERRY: Ernest Turbyfill, Edith Brown, Nelle McCoury, Bertha Ollis
CROSSNORE: Jim Vance, Jr., Edward Vance, Kenneth Johnson, Bud Vance, Jean Vance, Mrs. John Calhoun, Mrs. George Johnson, Ann Burleson, Ruth Johnson, Mary Pritchard, Bruce Aldridge, Lois Edwards
ELK PARK: Edith Bowlick, Rev. Robert Davis, Earleen Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Julian, Edith Isaacs
ELK VALLEY: Lonnie Aldridge, Marian Horney, Earl Carver, Emma Ward, Annie Mae Horney, Stella Carver
FALL CREEK: Herbie Smith, James Farina, Walter Sumpter
HENSON CREEK: Billy Goforth, Michael Dellinger, Brown Howell, Sherrill Pittman
JONAS RIDGE: Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shell, Louise Barbee, Grady Singleton, James Gallion
MINNEAPOLIS: Randall Fletcher, Champ Young, Bob Tatum, Frances Fletcher, Louise Buchannan, Ruth Young, Ed Grindstaff
MT. PLEASANT: Helma Daniels, Debbie Blalock, Mary McGuire, Elwanda Daniels, Barbara Daniels
NEWLAND: Mrs. Bob Banner, Mrs. Jack Bryant, Buddy Calloway, Pat V. Eller, Mrs. J. T. Tanner, Mrs. Howard Turbyfill
OAK GROVE: Rev. and Mrs. Earl Carver, Jr.
PILGRIM: Mack Cook, Herb Hoilman, Nola M. Cook
PINEOLA: Mrs. Marilyn Smith, Mrs. Shelby Vance, Mrs. Jerry Burleson
PLEASANT HILL: Mildred McMahan, Ershel Buchannan, Lois Winters, Arnold Thomas, Lum Buchannan
PLEASANT VALLEY: Frankie Bare, Jewell Hayes, Mrs. Walter Hicks, Barbara Norris, May Davis, Burnett Hayes
POWDERMILL: Rev. Jimmy Upton, Mrs. Merim Upton, Mrs. Mary Buchannan
STAMEYTOWN: Vida Carpenter, Hazel Franklin, Patsy Vance
SUGAR MOUNTAIN: Alfred Jones, Gurney Duckworth
VALLEY HAVEN: Lillie Gilliams, Mable Whitehead, Polly Street, John Street
YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Leona Huston, Eula Dellinger, Bessie Murdock
WHITES MEMORIAL: Lee Pittman, William Grindstaff, Onie Carpenter, Pauline Dellinger

Proceedings

63rd Annual Session

August 1, 1974, the Avery Baptist Association met at Cranberry Baptist Church for its annual meeting. At 9:30 A. M. o'clock the 63rd annual session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Lloyd Ramsey. The meeting was opened with prayer. Kenneth Johnson, Associational Music Director, led the congregation in the hymn, "He's My Friend." Rev. Clearence Smith, pastor of the host church, gave the morning devotion, reading from Psalms 23.

A motion was made and adopted that the messengers of the churches be seated for the purpose of transacting business. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the acting clerk. Twenty-five of the twenty-nine churches answered the roll call, with 80 delegates present. A motion was made and carried to adopt the printed program.

The moderator appointed the Committees for the day as follows; Resolutions Committee:

Mr. Pat Eller, Rev. B. G. McMahan, and Edith Bolick. Time—Place—and Preacher Committee: Rev. Jimmy Upton, Mrs. Howard Turbyfill, and Edith Brown.

The miscellaneous business was as follows:

1. Kenneth Johnson made a motion that the ones serving on various committees be notified prior to the annual meeting by the secretary. The motion was seconded and carried.

2. Rev. E. O. Bustle made a motion to adopt the printed program today as a standard, as far as time schedule, and have it printed in the annual to be used in next year's session. The motion was seconded and carried.

3. The following changes were made in the committees to report next year: Home for the Aging, Mr. Roy Ollis, Music Director, Homer Murdock, Jr. and The Baptist Children's Home, to be taken care of in the next Executive Committee meeting.

The officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Moderator: Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, Vice Moderator: Rev. Homer Murdock, Clerk-Treasurer: Patricia and Doris Shell.

An offering for the expense of the Association was taken amounting to $65.88.

The new pastors were recognized at this time. Rev. Roy Lee Barbee, pastor of Jonas Ridge and Rev. Brown Howell, pastor of Henson's Creek.

Rev. Jerry Burleson submitted his report on the Cooperative Program. The report was adopted and Mr. Robinson, a representative from Gardner Webb College spoke to this report.

The Foreign Mission report was given by Rev. B. G. McMahan, followed by the Home Mission Report by Carson Eggers, and the Associational Missions Report, by Rev. E. O. Bustle. These reports were adopted. Rev. Jack Bryant, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Newland announced that space had been given by his church, for an Associational Mission office. The space is located in the first floor of the Newland Baptist Church.

There was a pause in the reports for the annual sermon delivered by Rev. Clearence Smith in absence of Rev. Marian Duncan. Following the sermon the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

After a delicious meal served by the women of the host church, the afternoon session was called to order by the Moderator. The devotions was given by Rev. Homer Murdock in absence of Rev. Rose Wise.

The Christian Literature Report was given by Mrs. Nell McCoury and adopted. The report from Woodrow Hill on the BIBLICAL RECORDER was adopted along with the Christian Literature report.

Bettie Hooks, Chairman of the Finance Committee, gave the Finance report. The report was adopted for the annual.

Rev. Roby Painter, due to illness, was not present for the Christian Education report. Rev. Steve Baughman gave the report for the Children's Home. The report was adopted. Hugh Starnes, Director of the Broyhill Home spoke at this time. He invited everyone to the Open House and Barbecue Supper at the Broyhill Home on September 5, 1974. At this time there would be a premier of the film "The Mountain Within."

John Hayes gave the report on the Homes for the Aging. The report was adopted. The Temperance and Morals report was given by Rev. Roy Barbee. Rev. Jimmy Upton gave the Evangelism report. These were adopted. Pauline Dellinger gave her report on the Baptist Hospitals. There was a representative from the Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, that was given time to speak.

The Sunday School report was given by Homer Calloway, Associational Sunday School Director. The minutes of the annual Sunday School Convention were adopted for the annual.

The session was adjourned until the following day with the closing statement from the Resolutions Committee:

"We the Resolutions Committee would like to express the appreciation of the Avery Baptist Association for the priviledge of meeting with the Cranberry Baptist Church today; for the hospitality, food and pleasant surroundings, fellowship, and the work that made the day a pleasant, worshipful, and spiritual experience.

We express appreciation to the Associational officers and to those who gave reports, too, are to be thanked for their gifts to us today."

Respectfully submitted,
B. G. McMahan, Pat Eller, and Edith Bolick

Friday, August 2, 1974

The second session was called to order at 9:30 A. M. o'clock at the Crossnore Baptist Church. The Moderator, Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, presided. The congregation sang "Holy, Holy, Holy", led by Homer Murdock, Jr. The meeting was opened with devotions by Rev. Joe Puett, pastor of the host church.

Rev. E. O. Bustle, Associational Missionary, expressed his appreciation to the Association for the Third Class Mailing Permit that had been purchased last year. A motion was made, seconded, and carried that we continue with this permit from year to year. Mr. Bustle announced that he was sending a newsletter each month and that he would be glad to include any announcements from anyone if he were contacted before the 15th of the month.

The Treasurers report was given, showing a balance in Treasury of $409.18. The morning offering was taken and amounted to $25.78.

The Vacation Bible School report was given by Rev. Stephen Baughman. The report was adopted. Mr. Bustle, Associational Missionary, announced that there had been a Vacation Bible School in all the Churches of the Association, but had not been reported on the Church Letter to the Association. It was also announced that there was a need for volunteer workers to go to the Vacation Bible School Clinic at Wingate College in January. If any one would like to go, please contact Rev. Baughman.

Bettie Hooks gave the Training Union report, which was adopted, followed by the WMU report by Mrs. E. O. Bustle, which was also adopted.

There was no one present to give the Brotherhood report. The Stewardship report was given by Rev. Joe Puett, which was adopted. Kenneth Johnson gave the Music Report and Homer Murdock, Jr. spoke at this time.

Since there had been no report on the Annuity Board the preceeding day this time was given to Mr. Bill Poole, who represents the Homes for the Aging, but spoke for the Annuity Board as well as the Homes for the Aging. Mr. Poole announced plans for a new Home for the Aging, which will be located in Asheville, North Carolina. He stated that a fund raising Campaign would soon be underway for this project.

The History Report was given by Homer Murdock, Jr. in the place of Dr. Shelby Vance. The report was adopted. Mrs. J. C. Brown submitted the Obituaries. This was adopted for the annual.

At this time the Time, Place, and Preacher Committee reported that the next session will be the first Thursday of August at Elk Park Baptist Church. The annual sermon will be delivered by Rev. Jack Bryant, with Rev. Brown Howell serving as alternate. The second day of the meeting will be the following day at Elk Valley Baptist Church, with Rev. Roy Lee Barbee bringing the message. Rev. Robert Davis will serve as alternate. This report was submitted by Rev. Jimmy Upton, Chairman of the committee.

Before the annual sermon, by Rev. Steve Baughman, the Resolutions Committee submitted the following Resolution: "The Avery Baptist Association has been royally entertained for two days in the 1974 Annual Meeting, and on its behalf, there is great appreciation spoken by the Resolutions Committee today. Both Cranberry and Crossnore Churches have opened their doors with love and hands of warm Christian fellowship, pleasant and comfortable surroundings, happy faces have greeted us, our thoughts have been directed upward toward our Great God—what more could be asked. But, now, after more spiritual food, we are to be invited to partake of another bountiful dinner.

Thank you for the time, effort, and loving thoughtfulness, you have encountered in providing for us.

Respectfully submitted,
B. G. McMahan, Pat Eller, and Edith Bolick

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM REPORT

August 1, 1974

We read in the Gospel of Mark, Chap. 16, Verse 15, the recorded words of our Lord, which are known today as "The Great Commission"—"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

The activity of carrying out this Great Commission today comes under the heading of "Missions." If we are born again Christians—followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, and belong to the New Testament church—which is the "Body of Christ" in the world today, then we must be "Mission minded." We must be Mission conscious to the point of being actively involved the work of our Lord in the various Mission fields, or we cannot honestly call ourselves a Christian New Testament church.

Today we have some exclusive "clubs" which have the name—church, but they are not New Testament churches, because they are not carrying on the work of the body of Christ! Contrary to popular belief putting up a sign "First Baptist Church", does not make a church, but instead, it is those who DO the will of the Father.

If we as a church, a part of the Total "Church"—or Body of Christ, are not actively involved in the work of missions, we are in essence saying to the lost and starving masses of the world: "sorry we can't help you just now, we must complete our building program, we must have new pews, we must provide for our own members first." If the masses should in the meantime, die in their sins, it's just to bad, "We'll pray for them!" James 2:15 & 16 speaks of such an attitude as this, and Matthew 25: 31-46 tells us where such as attitude will lead us.

It seems that today we have those who claim to be members of the body of Christ, but are always seeking to withdraw, to divide, to tear down, and go their separate ways, as children getting mad at play. The great apostle Paul stresses the importance of the "Body of Christ" working together—Cooperating to get the job done—I Cor. 12: and 14:. Can we imagine the confusion if we attempted to fight a war with each soldier going his own way and not cooperating with anyone else.

We are fighting a war, a war against the powers and principalities of evil, and if we are to carry out an effective campaign we must cooperate—work and fight against evil TOGETHER.

Unfortunately, due to misinformation and misunderstanding the Cooperative Program has been seen by some as a grotesque monster which threatens to gobble up all our Mission expenditures. However the facts are that the C. P. is simply a channel, a means, a service whereby we may do together the work of the Body of Christ, where it would be impossible for an individual church.

Our Lord is quoted in Matthew 12:25 as having said: "—every city or house divided against itself shall not stand." An Association or a Convention is subject to the same rule! If we are to survive we must cooperate! If we should ever discover corruptness within our ranks, then Let US purge it from our midst, and go on, but may we never take the cowards way out and withdraw, or separate, or divide!

As we attempt to share with you the details of how our association has utilized the C. P., and how we have responded to the Great Commission, we find ourself filled with mixed emotions. We are extremely pleased to report to you that we are approaching a two-thirds majority of the churches of our association supporting the work of the C. P.! Only two years ago this figure was less than one half! We were privileged last time to report the addition of Fall Creek, Pilgrim and Valley Haven to the roll of those utilizing the C. P., and we are happy and proud to announce this time that not only has Oak Grove built a brand new church, but they have also joined in the Cooperative effort. This speaks doubly well of them.

In addition to the increase in churches participating there was an increase of $1,151.00 in C. P. offerings. This is just about keeping up with the inflation rate!

We are appalled to report that, according to the record, which we have had access to, there are thirteen of our churches still failing to utilize the C. P., and support its work! We were even more shocked to learn that there are absolutely no records of some few of our churches participation in any Association Convention Mission programs, whatsoever!

It is our plea and fervent prayer that these tragic conditions have been, or soon will be corrected.

Respectfully submitted this letter of Aug., 1974,
Jerry C. Burleson

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

1973 was the twenty-fifth year of Southern Baptists' commitment to a new advance in foreign missions. During the years from 1948 to 1973 gospel seed was planted and nurtured by an ever growing missionary force that at the close of the anniversary year totaled a record 2,538 at work in 77 countries.

Reports from those countries indicated that seed was yielding dramatic results. Baptisms reached an all-time high of 62,151. Thousands of other persons made responses during the year and were awaiting baptism at the end of the year.

Organized churches numbered 6,907, up from 6,554 in 1972, with 5,207 self-supporting. In addition, there were 8,034 mission points, which combined with the churches made almost 15,000 places where the Christian gospel was being proclaimed in word and deed. Other records were set in schools, medical work, publications, and social work.

During the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention held in Memphis in June 1948, M. Theron Rankin, Foreign Mission Board executive secretary, issued an appeal for dramatic foreign mission advance. He suggested goals of strengthening work in the 19 countries where Southern Baptist missionaries were ministering, opening additional areas of work, increasing the missionary staff from 670 to 1,750, and more than doubling the budget to a total of 10 million dollars.

Twenty-five years later, these projections have all been surpassed, and in foreign mission efforts Southern Baptists stand on a new threshold of opportunity and challenge. This shows what God can do in leading a people through concern, prayer, giving and life dedication.

We are thankful that our foreign mission giving was up about 600 dollars in our association last year, but at that we saw several churches which had not given any. I feel we would do well to look afresh at the task before us and seek fresh leadership of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. B. G. McMahan

HOME MISSION

Home Mission is of greater importance than we have probably realized in the past. The Home Mission Board might be compared to the hub of a wheel from which many spokes originate and spread out in all directions. If the hub weakens, then the stability of the spokes will be threatened. In the final analysis, home mission is the hub or base of the entire mission program, including Foreign Missions.

Many Foreign Missionaries have expressed concern over the fact that our homeland does not, at all times, present a favorable Christian picture to the lands and peoples with which they try to work, thus confronting them with another problem to overcome and explain. It is sincerely hoped that all churches in the association will accept their responsibility for strengthening the home base by following the advice of Luke, found in Acts 1:8, "ye shall be witness unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and the uttermost part of the earth."

Our first step is total commitment of our lives to Christ. A portion of our time can be given daily in prayer and supplication asking God's blessing on those who are on the foreign fields giving of their full measure of devotion. In Love, our daily gift of money reach far to help rebuild the villages of Vietnam which have been destroyed, to help industrialize those in

Africa, to feed the starving millions in India, to give encourgement to the poor through education of the countries of South America, to heal the sick throughout the entire world, and show them our God does love and cares for them.

Respectfully submitted,
Carson Eggers

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS REPORT

Today we stand another year closer to God, and the rewards for the work we have done. It can't be changed this past year. . . .but let's take a good hard look at this coming year. And ask ourselves—has it been good enough?

I have enjoyed this past year even better! Especially, our School of Missions last September. I just can't get over it!

Days on the field	145
Visits	101
Services Attended	193
Taught Sunday School	16
Ordination Services	3
Preached	12
Pastor's Conferences Attended	12
Preached at Prison Camp	7
Executive Meetings	4
Miles Traveled	11,100

Respectfully submitted,
E. O. Bustle

FINANCE COMMITTEE

We express our gratitude another year, to those who serve on this Committee. It has been a pleasure to work with each one, and we're appreciative of their cooperation.

It is a joy to share with you the fact we have an increase above last year. It has been another good year, and we're thankful to the Lord for making it possible, also to you who had a sharing part. Maybe one day all of us will have the same desire to work together, in like manner, for the Advancement of God's work. Somehow, alone, we just cannot carry the same load.

Following is a statement of Offerings and Expenses:

Offerings	Expenses		
Aaron—$144.00	Missionary Salary for 6 months		
Beech Mountain—50.00	(July, '73-Dec., '73)	$120.00 at	$720.00
Cranberry—120.00	Office and Travel Expense 6 months		
Crossnore—180.00	(July, '73-Dec., '73)	$36.00 at	$180.00
Elk Park—63.32	Incease given effective January 1, 1974		
Fall Creek—30.00	Salary for 6 months		
Jonas Ridge—385.25	(January, '74-June, '74)	$135.00 at	$810.00
Newland—224.00	Office and Travel expense 6 months		
Pineola—258.72	(January, '74-June, '74)	$40.00 at	$240.00
Pleasant Hill—50.00	Total Expense		$1950.00
Stameytown—185.00			

Whites Memorial—25.00
Sugar Mountain—30.00
Valley Haven—72.00

Total Offerings—$1815.29

Total Missionary Salary
Avery Association $1950.00
Supplement from the State Conv. $2002.00
(provided through State Missions
and Cooperative Program)

$3952.00

There was an additional supplement received for Office Equipment, from The State Conv. of $490.00. This was spent for a Folding and Addressograph Machine. Total cost was $515.00. The difference was given by individual offering.

The balance carried forward July 1, 1973—$245.43, with offerings of $1815.29 for the current year, made a total of $2060.72. Our expenses being $1950.00. We have a balance of $110.72. Last years offerings were $1763.85, giving an increase of $51.44.

We had hopes of our Associational Office being open, but with a few things yet to overcome, it will be a little later this year. We're thankful to the Newland Church for their generosity in this effort. Remember it takes good Stewardship to make such possible. May we work closer together in this our own back yard. Won't you join us. The address is The Avery Baptist Missions Fund, to Mrs. Francis Vance, Pineola, N.C.

Respectfully submitted,
Bettie C. Hooks, Chairman

CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

As the apostle Paul was closing his letter to the church at Philippi, he spoke these words of admonition. "Finally brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virture, and if there be any praise, think on these things." Phil. 4:8.

If then it is important what we think, how do we go about influencing that thinking?

I would like to mention two things that I feel would be most helpful in that respect. First I would suggest that we make it a point to cultivate friendships with people who are clean thinking and clean living and Christ like in their every day walk of life.

The second most important thing I believe to be helpful would be our selection of literature that we read and keep in our homes. One great Philosopher, made the following statement, "Show me what you read and I will tell you what kind of person you are." And it just makes sense that whatever an individual keeps in his mind is what he eventually becomes.

Of course the Bible is really the foundation of all good literature and should have priority over all other reading matter. But we have many fine books, magazines, booklets, and leaflets that are especially uplifting and enlightening and helps us grow as a Christian.

Every really inspirational book that I have ever read has re-emphasized the teachings that Jesus himself gave us while he was here upon the earth. So my advise to every father and mother especially would be to make sure your children are supplied with plenty of reading material that would help him to grow spiritually and mentally as the body of his grows physically.

Submitted by,
Mrs. Nelle McCoury

1974 BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

The BIBLICAL RECORDER is grateful for another good year, although these are difficult days for religious publications. Some have had to go out of business while others are squeezed by rising costs. The RECORDER has not escaped the pressures of inflation. For example, paper has risen 61 per cent already this year—and the end is not in sight.

Even so, the RECORDER has been in business for 141 years and expects to continue. A few changes have to be made, however, to keep the paper strong. As staff members have resigned or retired, they have not been replaced. Some weeks the number of pages has to be reduced to save money, but readers have been very understanding.

Despite some problems, the RECORDER is enjoying its highest circulation in history—more than 111,000—thanks to the continuing support of the vast majority of Baptist churches in the state. These churches and their members remember the part the RECORDER played in the overwhelming defeat of liquor by the drink last November. This is probably the most significant story that the RECORDER has reported since the associations met last year. You will remember that approximately 70 per cent of the voters in the state voted against liquor by the drink and it was defeated in 97 of 100 counties. This should take care of this issue for awhile.

The RECORDER will continue its emphasis on local church coverage, seeking to deal with problems that every church has. Naturally, we are prejudiced, but we do not believe any publication can take the place of the BIBLICAL RECORDER. If your church does not send it to every family, may we ask a simple question: Why? At a cost of only a nickel a week for each family, this is the best investment a Baptist church can make. Put the RECORDER in the budget before it has to increase the rate because of inflation.

Respectfully submitted,

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS PIEDMONT AREA 1974

Christian child care is a shared adventure. We proceed by faith to build a helping relationship with children and their families in need. We cannot know in advance the final outcome, but we are confident of God's power to work in these relationships for reconciliation and healing.

Much has happened this year to strengthen the foundations for our ministry of child care. The recreation and administration buildings at Broyhill Home are nearing completion. A cottage and two staff residences at Kennedy Home will soon be dedicated. A challenge gift of $100,000 has been received for the development of Greer-Burris Home at Chapel Hill.

"The Mountain Within", a thirty-minute 16mm sound picture, has been filmed to tell the story of the Children's Homes. It will be premiered at the Piedmont Area Conference September 12. Following extensive use on statewide television broadcasts, it will be released for showings to churches, associations, civic clubs, and other interested groups October 1. Place your order for the film through the Department of Communications of the Baptist State Convention.

Our Piedmont Area services have expanded significantly during the past year. Mills Home continues to provide the highest quality group care to more than two hundred school age children. Wall Home has pioneered with an exciting outdoor high adventure program for a group of teenage boys. Our first Emergency Care Home opened in Burlington May 21, and a similar home was opened in Charlotte in late summer. These two homes represent a cooperative venture with the Mount Zion and Mecklenburg Associations to provide emergency care on the local scene. New foster homes have been licensed and have increased the number of foster home children in care.

The continuing good will and generous support of our friends throughout the State make possible this vigorous and progressive ministry of child care. During the past year, North Carolina Baptists gave more than a million dollars to Christian child care in the North Carolina Baptist Children's Home through the Cooperative Program, the Thanksgiving offering, and designated gifts and offerings. Rising costs and the need for expanding services challenge all of us—staff and supporters—to continue our investment in the shared adventure of Christian child care.

1974 REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS
NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

As a Baptist, among the many vital ministries that you support are your North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging. For over 23 years now, you have had a part in serving hundreds of older people and making life much happier and secure for them. You have done so through two very helpful means of income: (1) The Special Offering for the Homes, received on the 3rd Sunday of February each year; (2) The Cooperative Program. Gifts through these two sources have increased from year to year, and offerings for 1974 will perhaps exceed $350,000, providing more than 30% of the budget needed to operate 5 resident Homes and the Nursing Care Unit.

God, through you, has blessed this ministry of our Baptist Homes in a remarkable way, leading you to establish two Homes in Winston-Salem, Resthaven, and the Hayes Home, and the Nursing Care Unit, and three other Homes at Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. In these Homes, 4 out of every 5 residents depend upon your love gifts and simply could not be cared for without your help.

Of greatest significance during the past year, has been the decision by the Trustees of the Homes to establish a 6th Home in Western North Carolina, to be located in the city of Asheville on the Pearson Estate, a magnificently beautiful twenty-one acre site, overlooking the city, and with the dedicated group of people in the Western Carolina area have organized the first initial phase of what will become, it is hoped, a major State-Wide fund-raising effort to obtain the necessary money to build this proposed Home, after approval by the General Board, and the Baptist State Convention. Church groups are encouraged to visit the beautiful site on which the proposed Home will be built, and will be served lunch, if an appointment is made in advance.

With the addition of a 6th Home for the Aging, with the spiraling cost of living, and the great and ever increasing needs of older people, it is most urgent that our Baptist people be more generous than ever before in support for the Homes through the regular channels of the 3rd Sunday of February Offering, the Cooperative Program, and an over and above gift for the Western North Carolina Home.

Ministry to an older person is a direct ministry as unto Christ Himself and is most pleasing to Him, we are sure!

Dr. William A. Poole, Exec. Director
John E. Hayes, Assoc. Representative

TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

We are living in a day and age when we need to re-examine our principles and precepts as to where we are heading. We, as a group of believers, need to have deep convictions and concerns. In all the teachings of the New Testament no matter is more clearly defined than the believers responsibility to live a chaste and temperate life. In Titus 2: 11-12, it is spelled out for us. "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared unto us all, teaching us, that denying ungodliness and worldly lust, we should live soberly, righteously and godly, in this present world." This would be the end of the matter as far as most of us Christians are concerned if it were not also our responsibility to use our influence for righteousness in our society.

We are facing many frightening facts concerning temperance and public morals throughout our land. Records show that many families are in stress; many alcoholics and narcotic users are being treated; gambling houses are thriving; pornography is sold on paperback racks all over our land; and possibilities of public impeachment of our President. Crime is on the rise all over our nation.

Let us never lose sight of the fact that our greatest weapon against intemperance and immorality is a strong emphasis upon personal evangelism and the deeper spiritual life for

believers. Lives transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit manifests Christ's likeness in action and attitudes. We need to follow the example that Christ set for us in helping one another. This is a world to be redeemed.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy L. Barbee

EVANGLISM REPORT

Our evangelism effort this year in Avery Association was a county wide crusade at the Newland Elementary School Gymnasium, July 21-27, 1974. Rev. Kenneth Richings from Asheville who is a Bible teacher at Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute was the visiting evangelist. Brother Homer Murdock Jr. was in charge of the Music.

The crusade was only scheduled for one week this year instead of two weeks as in the previous years. Also we began the crusade on Sunday night with the hope that if all our churches would combine our Sunday night services this would create more interest in the crusade.

We are thankful for the word of God that was sent through the servant of the Lord. Surely God spoke to his people every night and the hearts of Gods people were blessed. Also this year, for the first time we had a crusade choir consisting of people from many different churches. I think this was a great blessing not only to the congregation, but also to everyone in the choir. This choir was composed of people who wanted to sing for Jesus. This was shown by the joy in their hearts and the smile on their faces as they sang.

This year is gone and this crusade is history. I am sure there are many things that could have been accomplished. But many times success in the Lord's work cannot be measured by human standards. What may look like failure in the eyes of the world could and many times is success in the Lord's work.

As we look forward to another year in Avery Association let us enter into this year prayfully. We are facing things in our county as never before. The only hope for our churches, our county and our country is revival. This is the main purpose of our county crusades that God may send revival to all our churches. When our churches experience revival then and only then can we win the lost to Christ. Yet, Satan has so limited our eyes and divided our people that we cannot come together for one week out of 52 and unit our hearts, our prayers and our energy that revival may come to the Baptist churches in Avery County.

We read from 2 Timothy 4:5 "But watch thou in all things in all things endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry."

I believe this charge is to every church, to every Pastor and to every Christian.

My prayer to God is that in the coming year we will not only seek to evangelize Avery County but we will succeed. This will be accomplished by better organization. (This responsibility lies upon every pastor in our county), by better co-operation, (this responsibility lies upon every church), by better participation (this responsibility lies upon every Christian). When we as churches, Pastors and individual Christians do our best there will be a greater visitation of God in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Prayerfully and Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Jimmy Upton
Evangelism Chairman

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

People from all over North Carolina are sent to Baptist Hospital for medical problems that cannot be cared for at our local hospitals. They are sent there on a referral basis. People who want to receive treatment at Baptist must be referred by their family doctor.

Hospital costs are rising each day and it is becoming increasingly harder to receive treatment on an in patient basis if you do not have hospital insurance. People who do not have hospital insurance should discuss this with their doctor so arrangements can be made for

assistance. All this should be worked out before hospitalization.

Our Mother's Day Offering is used to help people who need assistance with their medical bills. Last year our Mother's Day Offerings amounted to $375,000. This years offerings are running ahead of the same time last year. In Avery County 23 churches contributed to the hospital last year. From January through June a total of $2,707,34 was given.

Changes and additions continue to be made for the purpose of providing better medical care. Parts of the hospital are now being renovated.

New discoveries continue to make possible better medical care. For example, a new scanner is to be installed and in use before the end of this year. This device which combines the use of X-rays and computors will make it possible to detect brain tumors, blood clots, and strokes more accurately and quickly. There is no risk or discomfort to the patient and hospitalization is not a necessity.

Baptist Hospital just last year opened a new patient care facility called Reynolds Tower. This is a beautiful addition to the hospital and brings the total number of beds to 655. When the old part is renovated, the total number of beds will be 717.

Baptists Hospital is among the top ten per cent (in size) among hospitals in the United States.

When Mother's Day comes around next year I hope we as Baptists will stop to think about what the hospital has done for our people here in Avery County. Lets all give from our hearts next year.

Pauline Dellinger

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Annual Avery Association Sunday School meeting was on Saturday, July 13, 1974. Elk Park Baptist Church was the host church.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A. M. by the Associational Sunday School Director with the congregation joining in the hymn " 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus." Devotion followed with Rev. Carson Eggers sharing Galations 5:22-26 and with a few thoughts concerning Sunday School work. After prayer the business session followed. Being no unfinished business the minutes of last years meeting was read. It was followed by the election of officers for the coming year. They are as follows: Director, Roger Singleton (Big Meadows); Assistant Director, Mason Carpenter (Stamey Town); Secretary, Bettie Hooks, (Jonas Ridge).

The chair appointed a Time, Place, Preacher Committee composed of Lee Pittman, Lloyd Ramsey and Billy Grindstaff. Following was the roll call of churches with thirteen answering and sharing some of the accomplishments and work in the local Sunday Schools: Belview, Big Meadows, Chestnut Dale, Cranberry, Elk Park, Jonas Ridge, Mt. Pleasant, Newland, Pilgrim, Pleasant Hill, Stamey Town, Valley Haven and Whites Memorial.

It was brought to the attention of those present that the Associational Sunday School Workshop would be held in the Big Meadows Church on Monday, October 28.

Followed by sharing of Reachout, a people to people search for Christ a ten minute recess followed. The meeting reconvened with singing of the hymn "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me."

Report and sharing of Sunday School Materials was given by Mrs. J. T. Tanner, followed by report of the Time, Place and Preacher Committee. Next years session would be at Jonas Ridge, Saturday, July 2, with the Pastor Rev. Roy Barbee bringing the message. Emphasis given on the Avery County Crusade which will be July 21-27.

The message was brought by Rev. Clarence Smith of Cranberry Church. Scripture was taken from Ephesians 3:1-13, and Romans 11:29. "With Salvation There is a Gift." Salvation is without repentance. The gift of God is eternal life, but man has continually tried to make his own way. Christ made the way. We should go in unity as God has placed the Church together for His glory. We're not doing what God wants to do—Preach and teach the word then God will honor. What have you done with God's gift.

Some personal testimonies were shared by those present. Benediction followed. No offering was received, however, there is in the treasury $18.60. The meeting followed with lunch served by the ladies of Elk Park Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Homer Calloway

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

During the Spring months of 1974, we began to get ready for the coming summer Bible Schools in our association. Many workers and directors attended the Spring clinic held at Whites Memorial Church. The entire evening was devoted to refreshing us on how to conduct Bible Schools. Many ideas were taught and shared, but the most valuable was that of having prayer before beginning any work and seeking God's instruction and guidance in any task. We feel that because of His guidance, we had good results from our Vacation Bible Schools. The total enrollment was 1100 with 19 churches reporting their Bible Schools, but I feel there were others that were not reported. We touched many lives of people of all ages in these schools and adults are often taught more than the children. A group of enthusiastic Christian young people from Raleigh came to help several of our churches in their schools and these young people also held a VBS in a church that could not hold one of their own. We thank God for the influence of these schools and the souls that are saved through them. We encourage every church community that did not hold a VBS this year to try to have one next year so you won't miss out on the fun and privilege to serve and glorify God with children and other adults.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. and Mrs. Steve Baughman

CHURCH TRAINING

Another year has past, closing doors and opening doors for a new day, a new vision. Hopefully we can learn from the experiences of yesterday, as well as failures, but do we. There have been so many opportunities. Could it be we're suffering from just what we should be helping others in? We're thankful for those who see a need for helping one another, but what of those who never get around to it. We're children, God's children, a family. Why can we not see the need in our family? Why do we hand our children back to the world? If your church doesn't have an effort working to encourage your new converts, your members, your leaders to become stronger and more effective in their Christian life and witness, wouldn't you consider it. An ongoing training program is a need every church should consider, and yet only about half of our churches offer anything. The new converts need help. The leader. What about the leader? Why are we so unfaithful in our lives? For example, or alert. Where do we free? Have we a genuine love? What we do, the concern and the action, explain it more than any words.

This past year there were many worthwhile helps. At the Annual M-night get together at Yellow Mountain, our young people, some who work in the U-2 program, shared many phases of mission work. We learned something of RAM (Resort Area Missions) from Mike Crane, who works in this field. We had six Churches represented, with Crossnore taking home the banner.

The night following at Pleasant Hill we had a youth meeting with Rick Traylor leading. He is with our state office, and works with young folks. The Youth gave us some real thoughts, and we were offered two U-2 workers just for giving them a place to stay. Are we really concerned? There wasn't one request to accept this challenge.

There was a School of Missions Studies and a Deacon School. Attendance was fair. What kind of help do we need? Or do we need help and not know it? Why do we sit idle, while the world burns in sin? We're guilty of corporate sin, as individual churches when we're not con-

cerned about the influence of our lives, the members of the body and our witness to the community. Oft times our excuses for failure to take part in other efforts is our own back yard, but sad as it is, the facts don't prove out. Could it just be another excuse. As churches, we need to work together, just as each individual body works together. We can learn from each others strength and weakness.

In September, we will have an Annual Church Training Meeting. Won't you join us as we discuss the coming year and consider leadership for that year.

God bless each of you, and may you have a greater vision of purpose than ever before. We know where there is no vision, the people perish.

Respectfully submitted,
Bettie C. Hooks, Director

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION REPORT

"The word was made flesh and dwelt among us . . . full of grace and truth" John 1:14. It has been a great privilege to serve another year as your WMU Director. There has been an increase in Our Special Mission Offerings in Avery Association. Also, we have a new Mission Friend organization, and about three more mission organizations in the making. Which should make us all rejoice together! Still, we should not be satisfied until all our churches are organized in mission work. A satisfied church is in danger . . .

In our annual meeting at Whites Memorial in May, we had a great time in fellowship and hearing about our Baptist work in the Philippines. Dr. & Mrs. Paul Johnson, told us about their work and showed some slides. I thank God for this dedicated couple who have given their lives in His service. Let us pray for our churches, our associational leaders, our missionaries, and support them with our prayers and gifts.

I would like to urge all our WMU Leaders and Officers, to attend the workshops, and conferences and get all the training we can get; we could not get a public job without being trained, could we? How much more important it is to be trained for the Lord's work! Some of us went to the WMU Workshop at Fruitland last fall, and several of the ladies are going on August 22-23 this year. There will be a Conference at Ridgecrest August 3-9. I hope some of us will attend part of these conferences if not all.

Our next Associational Annual WMU Meeting will meet with Pleasant Hill Church May 7, 1975.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen B. Bustle

1974 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

More than 5,000 missionaries at home and abroad depend on gifts through the Cooperative Program for a salary each month. Over 3,000 of these have a basic ministry of evangelism, with all of the others using their skills as nurses, teachers, doctors, etc. to meet human needs in order to bring these to Christ. Through the Cooperative Program you are helping the widow, the homeless child, the homeless aged, the sick, plus the ministries of preaching and teaching.

Increasing the percentage given through the Cooperative Program is an excellent follow-through for the special offerings your church receives.

Failure to have a good follow-through, in anything, would be frustrating at the least and tragic at the most. Failure to have a good follow-through when you are fishing would cause all of your fish to, get away and this would be frustrating. It would be tragic not to have a good follow-through in a baptismal service.

A good follow-through is the lifeline between good planning and good results. You will get excellent results if you plan well your special offerings and let your major emphasis be on the lifeline: YOUR COOPERATIVE PROGRAM.

Would your church give more if you received more money? If so, you need to have a thorough stewardship program in your church.

Last year 1,236 churches increased Cooperative Program giving by 10 percent or more over what they gave the previous year. Two of the associations in North Carolina had 100 percent of their churches giving through the Cooperative Program in 1973. These two associations were: Flat River and the Tar River.

Will you do four things?

1. Will you lead the church where you serve to increase Cooperative Program and associational mission giving by 10 percent or more?
2. Will you have a special prayer for your missionaries and other Cooperative Program causes during each service in your church during the October Cooperative Program prayer month?
3. Will you send your check for Cooperative Program EACH MONTH to Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Post Office Box 26508, Raleigh, North Carolina 27611?
4. Will you help us have a good STEWARDSHIP WORKSHOP in your association next spring or summer, so we can: (1) Study recommendations for pastor and staff salary increases; (2) Get an overview of available program helps for each church in stewardship; and (3) Receive a report on where you are in YOUR GOALS for associational and Cooperative Program giving?

Respectfully,
Rev. Joe R. Puett

Program for 1975 Session

August 7, 1975 Elk Park Baptist Church
August 8, 1975 Elk Valley Baptist Church

A.M.		
	Call to Order	Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, Moderator
9:30	Hymn	Congregation
9:40	Morning Devotion and Welcome	Pastor of Host Church
	Roll Call of Churches	
	Appointment of Committees	
	Miscellaneous Business	
	Offering	
	Election of Officers	
10:30	Cooperative Program	Rev. Jerry Burleson
10:45	Foreign Missions	Rev. B. G. McMahan
11:00	Home Missions	Rev. Carson Eggers
11:10	Associational Missions	Rev. E. O. Bustle
11:20	Annual Sermon	Rev. Jack Bryant
12:00	Adjournment for Lunch	
P.M.		
1:00	Devotion	
1:10	Christian Literature	Mrs. Nell McCoury
1:20	Finance Report	Mrs. Bettie Hooks
1:30	Christian Education	Rev. Roby Painter
1:40	Children's Home	Representative
1:50	Homes for the Aging	Representative

2:00	Temperance and Morals	Rev. Roy Lee Barbee
2:10	Evangelism	Rev. Jimmy Upton
2:20	Baptist Hospital	Pauline Dellinger
2:30	Sunday School	Mr. Homer Calloway
2:40	Annuity Board	Representative
3:00	Baptist Foundation	Representative

August 8, 1975 Elk Valley Baptist Church

9:30	Devotion and Welcome	Pastor of Host Church
9:40	Miscellaneous Business	Moderator
9:50	Financial Report-Clerk	Mrs. Johnnie Shell
10:00	Hymn and Offering	
10:10	Vacation Bible School	Mrs. Stephen Baughman
10:20	Church Training	Mrs. Bettie Hooks
10:30	Women's Missionary Union	Mrs. Ellen Bustle
10:40	Brotherhood	Gerald Aldridge
10:50	Stewardship	Rev. Joe Puett
11:00	Music	Homer Murdock, Jr.
11:10	Report of Committees	
11:20	History	Dr. S. W. Vance
11:25	Obituaries	Mrs. J. C. Brown
11:30	Annual Sermon	Rev. Roy Barbee
12:00	Adjournment	

HISTORIAN'S REPORT 1962

Avery Baptist Association

Avery County Baptist Association had its beginning almost sixty-two years ago—September 20, 1912—messengers and members of ten Baptist Churches met at Aaron Church in Montezuma, N.C.

The following churches were admitted, after letters were read, as Charter Members of the newly organized Association: Aaron, Jonas Ridge, Elk Park, Saginaw (now Pineola), Henson's Creek, Roaring Creek, Green Valley, Pleasant Hill, Minneapolis and Big Meadows.

Rev. W. H. Ollis was elected to serve as Moderator. The above named churches were served by three different pastors and the total salaries paid the pastors by the ten churches was $596.33. Total gifts for State Missions was $101.77, to Foreign Missions $40.00 and to the Baptist Orphanage $10.25, the first year.

Today Avery County Baptist Association is comprised of 29 churches, served by pastors and with a membership of over 3,000. Last year 99 were added to the churches by Baptism, 87 received by letter, making a total of 186. Total value of church property today is over $1,100,000.00.

Pastors, Deacons and faithful members have made the history of our association over these past years. We trust that we have all grown in knowledge and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

September 1973, after several years of prayer and preparation a group of missionaries representing our southland and our State—came to Avery County Baptist Churches and gave us first-hand information on the work being supported by us.

Because of their visit among us, may we realize our Stewardship obligations anew this coming year.

In this fulfillment our record for next years' report should bring us great joy and much Glory to God.

Respectfully submitted
S. W. Vance, Historian

HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	MEETING PLACE	MODERATOR
1912	Aaron	W. H. Ollis
1913	Pleasant Hill	S. M. Pittman
1914	Big Meadows	C. C. Bryant
1915	Jonas Ridge	W. H. Ollis
1916	Yellow Mountain	W. H. Ollis
1917	Roaring Creek	D. A. Greene
1918	Green Valley	D. A. Greene
1919	Crossnore	D. A. Greene
1920	Minneapolis	S. M. Pittman
1921	Beech Mountain	R. T. Lewis
1922	Pleasant Hill	R. T. Lewis
1923	Newland	N. S. Hampton
1924	Elk Valley	N. S. Hampton
1925	Chestnut Dale	N. S. Hampton
1926	Green Valley	N. S. Hampton
1927	Big Meadows	N. S. Hampton
1928	Jonas Ridge	N. S. Hampton
1929	Yellow Mountain	N. S. Hampton
1930	Roaring Creek	N. S. Hampton
1931	Aaron	K. L. Haga
1932	Crossnore	K. L. Haga
1933	Powdermill	Ed. W. Buchanan
1934	Mt. Pleasant	Ed. W. Buchanan
1935	Beech Mountain	Ed. W. Buchanan
1936	Pineola	G. D. Danner
1937	Flat Springs	G. D. Danner
1938	Green Valley	V. W. Greene
1939	Fall Creek	V. W. Greene
1940	Newland	V. W. Greene
1941	Yellow Mountain	V. W. Greene
1942	Elk Valley	V. W. Greene
1943	Belview	R. T. Teague
1944	Elk Park	R. T. Teague
1945	Pleasant Hill and Minneapolis	R. L. Painter
1946	Jonas Ridge and Oak Grove	D. N. Jones
1947	Cranberry	D. N. Jones
1948	Powdermill	V. W. Greene
1949	Crossnore and Mt. Pleasant	D. N. Jones
1950	Aaron and Newland	J. W. Costner
1951	Elk Valley and Valley Haven	J. C. Brown
1952	Sugar Mountain and Big Meadows	Mack Hodge
1953	Belview and Minneapolis	Mack Hodge
1954	Fairview and Whites Mem.	Mack Hodge
1955	Flat Springs and Beech Mt.	Mack Hodge
1956	Pleasant Hill and Newland	D. N. Jones
1957	Crossnore and Chestnut Dale	Ira Hodges
1958	Fall Creek and Roaring Creek	Howard Hodges
1959	Elk Park and Cranberry	Howard Hodges
1960	Oak Grove and Stamey Town	G. H. Dellinger
1961	Aaron and Jonas Ridge	G. H. Dellinger
1962	Minneapolis and Pleasant Hill	Marion C. (Billy) Smith

1963	Beech Mt. and Elk Valley	Marion C. (Billy) Smith
1964	Powdermill and Belview	D. N. Jones
1965	Valley Haven and Cranberry	Raymond Turbyfill
1966	Flat Springs and Fall Creek	Raymond Turbyfill
1967	Yellow Mt. and Whites Mem.	Raymond Turbyfill
1968	Pleasant Hill and Big Meadows	Joe R. Puett
1969	Beech Mt. and Mt. Pleasant	Joe R. Puett
1970	Crossnore and Minneapolis	Max Holland
1971	Newland and Aaron	Robert Lindley
1972	Belview and Beech Mt.	Robert Lindley
1973	Big Meadows and Chesnut Dale	Lee Pittman
1974	Cranberry and Crossnore	Lloyd Ramsey

OBITUARIES 1974

Our loved ones have left us to be with their loved ones and friends that are at home with Jesus and one day soon Jesus is coming for all that trust him and that love him.

Lord make a channel of thy peace that where there is hatred—I may bring love, that where there is wrong—I may bring the Spirit of forgiveness, that where there is discord—I may bring harmony, that where there is despair—I may bring love and hope, that where there is sadness—I may bring joy.

Lord, grant that I may seek rather to comfort—than to be comforted; to understand—than to be understood; to love—than to be loved; for it is by giving that one receives. It is by forgiving that one is forgiven. It is by dying that one awakens to eternal life.

Our Beloved Dead

AARON: Rev. L. W. Sudderth
BEECH MT.: Mrs. Marie Harmon, Mr. Dudley Trivett
BELLVIEW: Mr. Fornie Green
BIG MEADOWS: Mr. Gaither Phillips, Mr. O. J. Benefield, Mrs. Fannie Benefield
CHESTNUT DALE: Mr. Herman Huffman
CRANBERRY: Mrs. Minnie Henson
CROSSNORE: Mrs. Vila Ward
ELK VALLEY: Mrs. Nellie Freeman
FALL CREEK: Loyd Parlier, Beulah Smith
HENSON CREEK: Paul Dellinger-Deacon, Hobert Dellinger-Deacon
JONAS RIDGE: Grady Clark
MINNEAPOLIS: Jessie Grindstaff
NEWLAND: Rodd Bare, Char. of Deacons, Mrs. Willie T. Stout
PINEOLA: Harrison Ledford
PLEASANT HILL: Mr. Malt Buchanan, Commodore Hicks, Mrs. Ida Buchanan, Raymond Brown, Deacon
POWDERMILL: Mr. Clyde Goins
STAMEY TOWN: Miss Lula Stamey
WHITES MEMORIAL: Mrs. Bonnie White
PLEASANT VALLEY: Mr. Walter Hicks, Deacon, Rev. Warney Guinn, Rev. Dewey Holtsclaw, Mrs. Mae Brewer, Mr. Finley Goins

Blessed are the dead which lie in the Lord, from henceforth, that they may rest from their laborers, and their works to follow them. Are we doing the work that God gave us to do? I am afraid most of us are lazy Christians. Let us try to do more next year as God gives us opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. C. Brown

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION 1974

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Clerk: MRS. JOHNNIE SHELL
Address: Rt. 2, Box 148A City: Newland State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	County	Year organized as a church	Location	Services held twice on Sunday? Y	Services held twice on Sunday? N	Total Baptisms	Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	Present resident members	Present nonresident members	Grand total present members	No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	Value of church property including pastor's home	Total church debt at end of this associational year
			3	4	5		13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	25	26	27
Aaron	Stephen Baughman, Montezoma 28653	Avery	1858	2	x		0	0	7	125	27	152	0	0	0	100000	1200
Beech Mountain	Ray Greene, Rt. 2, Butler, Tenn. 37640	Avery	1869	1		x	5	0	4	81	62	143	0	0	0	10000	0
Bellview	Harry Lee Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1922	1		x	0	1	1	50	20	70	0	0	0		
Big Meadows	James Beaver, Rt. 2, Box 53, Burnsville 28714	Avery	1845	2	x		12	2	5	99	85	184	1	0	0	25000	0
Chestnut Dale		Avery	1903	1		x	0	2	1	54	6	60	0	0	0	25000	0
Cranberry	Clearence Smith, Rt. 1, Jonesboro, Tenn. 37659	Avery	1908	2		x	1	5	1	150	50	200	0	0	0	40000	0
Crossnore	J. R. Puett, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1907		x		39	16	10	353	275	628	2	1	15000	150000	4423
Elk Park	J. R. Brooks, Elk Park 28622	Avery	1917	3			0	0	5	56	25	81	0	1	0	25000	0
Elk Valley	Richard Jones, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	Avery	1882		x		22	1	7	102	112	212	0	0	0	70000	0
Fall Creek	Lawrence Hagaman, Sugar Grove 28679	Avery	1885	1		x	16	0	9	96	61	157	0	1	0	15000	0
Henson Creek	Brown Howell, Box 27, Pineola 28662	Avery	1900	1	x		3	3	9	103	46	149	0	0	0	30000	0
Jonas Ridge	Roy Lee Barbee, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Burke	1887	1	x		0	7	9	127	70	197	0	1	8000	25000	0
Minneapolis	Clifford Phillips, Minneapolis 28652	Avery	1887	1	x		9	1	2	95	25	130	0	0	43000	60000	40000
Mt. Pleasant		Avery	1869	1	x		1	0	3	58	40	98	1	0	0	20000	0
Newland	Jack L. Bryant, Newland 28657	Avery	1921	2	x		5	12	6	294	76	370	0	0	25000	185700	7500
Oak Grove	Earl Carver, Jr., Rt. 2, Box 7, Newland 28657	Avery	1900	1	x		23	5	0	151	36	187	0	0	0	45000	15000
Pilgrim	Harry L. Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1964	1		x	0	3	0	53	22	75	0	0	0	20000	0
Pineola	Jerry Burleson, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1913	1	x		5	2	1	60	6	66	0	0	0	4000	130
Pleasant Hill	B. G. McMahan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	Avery	1905	1	x		16	7	8	218	166	384	0	2	24000	84000	0
Pleasant Valley	Roby Painter, Banner Elk 28604	Avery		1	x		13	0	9	20	38	58	6	1	0	8000	0
Powdermill	Jimmy Upton, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	Avery	1914	1	x		11	8	1	95	36	131	4	0	0	35000	0
Stameytown	Carson Eggers, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock 28605	Avery	1947	1		x	2	1	1	50	30	80	0	0	10000	36000	0
Sugar Mountain	Alfred Jones, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Avery	1950	1		x	0	0	0	26	21	47	0	0	0	35000	1500
Valley Haven	Lloyd Ramsey, Rt. 2, Box 86B, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1948	1	x		1	5	2	42	16	58	0	0	0	32000	8000
Whites Memorial	Lee Pittman, Ingalls Rural Station, Newland 28657	Avery	1949	1	x		0	5	4	75	49	124	0	0	0	15000	0
Yellow Mountain	Homer Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 756, Spruce Pine 28777	Avery	1869	1	x		16	6	3	149	9	158	1	0	0	35000	0

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL 1974

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Sunday School Director: HOMER CALLOWAY

Address: City: Plumtree State: N. C. Zip: 28664

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	54 Cradle Roll enrolment (under 2 years of age)	55 Preschool enrolment (2-5 years—not in school)	56 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	57 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	58 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	59 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	60 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	61 Adults Away enrolment	62 Homebound Units enrolment	63 General officers enrolment	64 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	65 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	66 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	67 Number of Bible Study groups	68 Bible Study groups enrolment	69 Weekday Bible Study enrolment	70 Church V. B. S. enrolment	71 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	72 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Aaron	Fred Franz, Montezuma 28653	5	6	6	11	12	25	6		11	2	11	95	67	0	0	0	41	0	41
Beech Mountain	Bert Trivett, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	5	5	9	15	12	17	11			7		81	60	0	0	0	25	0	25
Bellview	Melvin Bowman, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	2	4	2	13	10	20	5			4		60	50	0	0	15			
Big Meadows	Roger Singleton, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	9	8	14	26	25	19			2		99	100	0	0	0			
Chestnut Dale	Connelly Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 276A, Newland 28657	1	5	4	5	4	22	7			0		44	32	0	0	0	60	0	60
Cranberry	Larry Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	0	16	3	43	32	40	0			2		136	82	0	0	0	53	0	53
Crossnore	Edgar Edwards, Crossnore 28616	15	15	38	23	15	82	18			4		210	153	0	0	0	130	0	130
Elk Park	Robert Davis, Elk Park 28622	3	4	4	8	10	21	3			2		55	36	0	0	0	65	0	65
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	9	15	20	8	25	5			0		83	70	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	4	8	9	14	18	47	10			0		110	83	0	0	0	34	0	34
Henson Creek	Brown Howell, Box 27, Pineola 28662	3	3	6	12	20	21	5	10	2	7	9	89	60	0	0	0	38	0	38
Jonas Ridge	Sam Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 181A, Newland 28657	5	6	26	16	9	21	12			0		95	87	1	12	0	85	0	85
Minneapolis	Edward Grindstaff, Minneapolis 28652	7	12	12	12	16	18	6			0		81	81	0	0	0	30	0	30
Mt. Pleasant	Bill McGuire, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	3	7	10	10	8	18	4			0		60	43	2	12	12	0	0	0
Newland	Robert A. Larey, Newland 28657	16	20	50	52	5	42	22			0		207	125	0	0	0	135	0	135
Oak Grove	Andy Taylor, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	5	8	20	15	40	40	15			16		159	120	0	0	0	57	0	57
Pilgrim	Woody Stout, Newland 28657	3	4	6	5	12	16	0			6		67	55	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pineola	George Smith, Pineola 28662												53	55	0	0	0	40	0	40
Pleasant Hill	Verne Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	3	8	25	25	25	45	15			2		148	117	0	0	0	70	0	70
Pleasant Valley	Benny Norris, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	2	2	10	9	4	14	4	13		2		60	34	1	15	0	26	0	26
Powdermill	Will McKinney, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	3	7	10	11	26	12	6			10		85	75	0	0	0	48	0	48
Stameytown	Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	9	12	10	5	20	0			2		58	54	0	0	0	60	0	60
Sugar Mountain	Floyd Banner, Rt. 2, Box 238, Newland 28657	0	5	5	3	10	9	2			13		47	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	2	4	6	7	11	12	0	4	4	6	6	56	37	0	0	0	47	0	47
Whites Memorial	Finley Love, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	6	9	10	23	35	0			4	14	101	75	0	0	0	37	0	37
Yellow Mt.	Harold Dellinger, Rt. 3, Box 156, Newland 28657	16	9	7	7	25	23	0	0	0	2	0	89	66	1	25	0	50	0	50

TABLE C TRAINING UNION 1974

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Training Union Director: BETTIE C. HOOKS
Address: Rt. 2, Box 160 City: Newland State: North Carolina Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	73 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under–not in school)	74 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	75 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	76 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	77 Adult enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	78 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over or retirement and over)	79 General officers enrolment	80 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	81 Total Training Union ongoing enrolment	82 Average weekly Church Training attendance	83 New Member Orientation: Registration	84 New Member Orientation: Completed	85 Church Leader Training: Registration	86 Church Leader Training: Completed	87 Member Training Projects: Registration	88 Member Training Projects: Completed
Bellview	Walter Gouge, Cranberry 28614	0	4	5	4	8	2	2	0	25	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Big Meadows	Frank Benfield, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	8	10	10	0	2	0	30	25	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cranberry	Homer Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	0	0	5	10	8	0	2	0	25	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crossnore	Mrs. Terry Edwards, Crossnore 28616	7	14	12	8	3	5	0	0	49	40	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elk Park	Kate Davis, Cranberry 28614	0	0	4	0	0	8	1	0	13		0	0	0	0	0	0
Elk Valley	Troy Blair, Rt. 2, Banner Elk 28604	0	5	15	13	16	10	8	0	77	34	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jonas Ridge	Russell Singleton, Rt. 2, Box 190, Newland 28657	7	18	8	4	6	3	0	0	44	26	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pineola	Jerry Burleson, Crossnore 28616	4	8	10	8	15	5	5	0	20	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Hill	Eddie Isaacs, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	4	8	10	8	15	5	5	0	55	32	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stameytown	Sam Cook, Rt. 3, Box 303B, Bakersville 28705	3	5	7	3	7	0	2	0	27	20	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valley Haven	Jane Riddle, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	4	5	5	0	6	0	4	0	24	13	0	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC 1974

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Music Director: HOMER MURDOCK, JR.
Address: Rt. 3, Box 760 City: Spruce Pine State: N. C. Zip: 28777

CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	89 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under–not in school)	90 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	91 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	92 Adult enrolment (18 and over)	93 Handbell ringers enrolment	94 Vocal ensemble enrolment	95 Instrumental ensembles enrolment	96 General music leaders enrolment	97 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	98 Total ongoing church music enrolment	99 Average weekly church music attendance	100 Church music study group enrolment
Aaron	Margaret Braswell, Newland 28657				15			1	2		18	10	0
Bellview	Walter Gouge, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	20	0	1	0	0	0	21	15	0
Crossnore	Margaret Ollis, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	2	0	29	20	0
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	30	30	0
Jonas Ridge	Randall Barrier, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	8	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	14	0
Minneapolis	Mrs. Edwina Tatum, Minneapolis 28652	4	4	2	12	0	0	0	0	0	22	12	0
Newland	Mrs. Doris Greene, Newland 28657	2	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	15	0
Pleasant Hill	Patsy Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	3	12	15	18	0	0	0	2	0	50	45	0
Yellow Mt.	Homer Murdock, Jr., Rt. 3, Box 760, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	2	0	23	23	0

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION 1974

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational WMU Director: MRS. ELLEN BUSTLE
Address: Rt. 2, Box 126 B — City: Newland — State: N. C. — Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	101 Mission Friends (5 years and under–not in school)	102 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	103 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	104 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	105 Baptist Women (30 and over)	106 Mission(s) of church	107 Total number of organizations	108 Mission Friends (5 years and under–not in school)	109 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	110 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	111 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	112 Baptist Women (30 and over)	113 WMU officers	114 Mission(s) of church	115 Total WMU ongoing enrolment
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
Aaron	Martha Baughman, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	17	4	0	21
Cranberry	Mrs. Johnnie McCoury, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	3	0	11
Crossnore	Mrs. George Johnson, Crossnore 28616	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	10	9	5	0	25	4	0	53
Elk Park	Mrs. Kate Davis, Cranberry 28614	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	6	0	9	3	0	18
Jonas Ridge	Louise Barber, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	9	11	0	8	5	0	33
Mt. Pleasant	Gearldine Bales, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Newland	Mrs. Bud Callaway, Box 416, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	12	5	0	12
Pineola	Mrs. Shelay Vance, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	7
Pleasant Hill	Linda Buchannan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	6	0	0	0	5	3	0	14
Stameytown	Mrs. Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	9	9	0	6	2	0	26
Valley Haven	Mable Whitehead, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	9	2	0	20
Whites Memorial	Onie Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	9	3	0	12
Yellow Mountain	Barbara Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 760, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	17	3	0	20

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD 1974

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Brotherhood Director: GEARLD ALDRIDGE
Address: City: Crossnore — State: N. C. — Zip: 28616

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	116 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	117 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	118 RA leader and committee	119 Baptist Young Men enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to 29 years)	120 Baptist Men enrolment (30-59 years or 30 to retirement)	121 Baptist Senior Men (60 and over or retirement and over)	122 Other Baptist men groups	123 Brotherhood director and other Brotherhood General Officers	124 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	125 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment
Aaron	Rod Hutchinson, Montezuma 28652					21	0	0	2	0	21
Crossnore	Cecil Trivett, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	12	16	6	0	0	0	34
Pleasant Hill		8	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
Stameytown	Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3	3	1	3	0	8	0	0	2	0	15

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP 1974

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Treasurer: MRS. JOHNNIE SHELL
Address: Route 2, Box 148 A — City: Newland — State: N. C. — Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	21	22			23	24	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135
		Number of tithers	Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year. None	Forward Program	Other	Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	All other receipts	Total receipts	Money borrowed during the year	Church staff salaries	Money paid out on new construction during the year	Debt retirement during the year	Church literature	All other local expenditures	Total local expenditures
Aaron	John Hayes, Montezuma 28653	15		x		3	1	17929	0	17929	0	8220	0	695	349	8977	18241
Beech Mt.	Wilma Storey, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	9	x			0	0	4520	0	4520	0	1527	0	0	144	1298	2969
Bellview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	5						6748	0	6748	0	2360	0	0	215	1790	5530
Big Meadows	Lawrence Carpenter, Rt. 3, Box 233, Newland	20	x			0	0	8264	40	8704	0	4305	0	0	154	0	4459
Chestnut Dale	Robert Sluder, Rt. 1, Newland	12	x			0	0	5586	0	5586	0	2750	432	0	88	1266	4536
Cranberry	Mrs. Earl Greene, Cranberry 28614		x			4.5	3.5	8727	0	8727	500	2850	0	500	293	4305	7948
Crossnore	Lois Clark, Box 6, Crossnore 28616	40		x		2	5	44725	0	44725	0	7470	0	8700	606	14407	31187
Elk Park	David Heaton, Box 275, Elk Park 28622					0	0	5923	0	5923	0	1350	4305	1426	288	3094	10453
Elk Valley	Mrs. Floy Aldridge, Rt. 2, Box 22, Banner Elk	21	x			0	0	10116	0	10116	0	2300	1300	0	628	6910	11138
Fall Creek	Laura Parlier, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	3	x			0	0	8493	234	8727	0	1702	0	0	221	1340	3254
Henson Creek	H. Lee Burleson, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland	13	x			0	0	8596	0	8596	0	4510	2513	0	82	550	7655
Jonas Ridge	Bettie Hooks, Jonas Ridge 28641	12	x			8		9340	0	9340	0	3465	0	0	237	3810	7512
Minneapolis	Ruth Young, Minneapolis 28652	22	x			0	0	22880	0	22880	0	6262	0	0	138	15357	21757
Mt. Pleasant	Virgil Blalock, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	7	x			0	0	7298	0	7298	0	900	1143	0	107	3657	5807
Newland	Bruce Daniels, Newland 28657		x			0	0	35534	0	35534	0	4915	0	21363	551	6728	33557
Oak Grove	Hazel Vance, Box 112, Newland 28657	12	x			0	0	22095	0	22095	15000	5200	0	15000	312	2632	23144
Pilgrim	Wessley Sluder, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	15	x			0	0	5594	0	5594	0	1380	303	0	295	377	3345
Pineola	Maurice Lindcamp, Pineola 28662					5	4				0	2640	400	209	130	3191	5831
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 102, Newland 28657	20	x			0	0	15880	0	15880	0	5800	1525	0	426	3502	11253
Pleasant Valley	Frankie Bare, Box 253, Elk Park 28622	2	x			0	0				0						
Powdermill	Jack Buchannan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	x			0	0	9391	0	9391	0	6730	0	0	131	4959	11820
Stameytown	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	14	x			3	3	8123	0	8123	0	3750	0	0	569	2343	6662
Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0		x		8	2	2737	0	2737	0	1080	0	560	61	451	2152
Valley Haven	Jimmy Street, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	10		x		10	3	5011	664	5675	129	8000	0	0	418	2568	5226
Whites Memorial	Pauline Dellinger, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	18		x		10	10	10685	290	10975	0	4999	0	0	274	3580	8853
Yellow Mountain	Robert Trivitt, Box 19, Plumtree 28664	15			x	0	0	18139	0	18139	0	7058	6597	0	303	2740	16698

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1974

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Superintendent of Missions (Associational Missionary): E. O. BUSTLE
Address: Route 2, Box 126 B City: Newland State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150
		Church Sponsored Missions				OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
		Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated: State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC For. Mis. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: Hospitals	Designated: Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temp. League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
Aaron	Carl Holden, Montezuma 28653	0	25	25	600	144	34	20	112	25	154	50	50	0	589	614
Beech Mountain	Allen Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	191	100	0	0	0	0	69	0	0	277	446	638
Bellview	Doris Shell, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	100	9	160	100	100	0	460	473
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Rt. 3, Box 233, Newland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	761	0	215	100	0	400	1475	1475
Chestnut Dale	Jack R. Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 275, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	29	155	100	0	450	300	0	0	1034	1034
Cranberry	Elbert McCoury, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	150	120	31	0	0	0	65	50	65	0	312	471
Crossnore	Lois Clark, Box 6, Crossnore 28616	0	0	0	914	180	347	80	689	39	77	1000	108	304	2824	3738
Elk Park	Earlene Hayword, Box 275, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	590	108	0	30	30	30	30	30	13	0	271	861
Elk Valley	Lonnie Aldridge, Rt. 2, Box 22, Banner Elk 28604	0	1565	1565	0	0	0	300	0	0	180	200	0	0	2245	5815
Fall Creek	Cecil Crawford, Rt. 2, Box 54, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	415	105	195	0	0	0	225	125	0	2216	2866	3281
Henson Creek	Norma Goforth, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	240	340	340
Jonas Ridge	Virginia Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 181A, Newland 28657	0	0	0	523	278	75	255	400	75	223	95	75	20	1496	2020
Minneapolis	Randall Fletcher, Minneapolis 28652	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	373	245	118	0	736	3902
Mt. Pleasant	Bill Daniels, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	56	0	40	165	65	425	751	831
Newland	Ruth Callaway, Box 416, Newland 28657	0	0	0	1611	196	338	100	570	0	220	0	250	202	1876	3486
Oak Grove	Ann Callaway, Rt. 2, Box 19A, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135	0	77	72	0	300	584	584
Pilgrim	Mack Cook, Rt. 1, Box 86A, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	225	0	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	0	39	264
Pineola	Tina McNeely, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	216	259	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	434	693	909
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 103, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	85	68	380	1319	140	819	537	281	25	3654	3654
Pleasant Valley	Barbara Norris, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	0	35	70
Powdermill	Mary Buchannan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	113	0	173	0	0	673	959	959
Stameytown	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland 28657	0	0	0	140	140	0	115	150	0	150	50	50	325	980	1120
Sugar Mountain	Floyd Banner, Rt. 2, Box 238, Newland 28657	0	0	0	156	40	0	0	0	0	52	52	0	0	144	300
Valley Haven	Lynda Hodges, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	240	96	100	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	296	536
Whites Memorial	Dora Phillips, Rt. 2, Box 448, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	33	45	0	223	273	0	50	50	0	840	1482	1515
Yellow Mountain	Homer Murdock, Jr., Rt. 3, Box 760, Spruce Pine 28777	0	1096	1096	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	58	0	0	717	1213

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION 1974

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Moderator: REV. LLOYD RAMSEY

Address: Rt. 2, Box 86B | City: Banner Elk | State: N. C. | Zip: 28604

CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES	28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions currently operating	30 No. other-type missions started during the year	31 No. other-type missions currently operating	32 Number of active deacons	33 Number of church vocations volunteers	34 Doctrinal Emphasis Week enrolment	35 Number of college students baptized	36 Kindergarten enrolment	37 Day care enrolment	38 Does church plan or contemplate a church building program within the year?	Does church have or observe? 39 Library	40 Recreation staff	41 Children's worship service	42 Youth Week	43 Summer Youth Program	44 History Committee	45 Broadcast on Radio or Television	46 Christian Home Week	47 Annuity Board Retirement Program	48 Annuity Board Insurance Program	49 Race Relations Sunday	50 Royal Ambassador Week	51 Filmstrip projector	52 Deacon training	53 State paper in budget
Aaron	Edward Sudderth, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y
Beech Mountain	Roy McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Bellview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N
Big Meadows	Homer Calloway, Plumtree 28664	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Cranberry	Elbert McCoury, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N
Crossnore	Edgar Edwards, Crossnore 28616	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
Elk Park	Joe Massee, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
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Minneapolis	Ed Grindstaff, Minneapolis 28652	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mt. Pleasant	Nat Daniels, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
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Oak Grove	Clearence Johnson, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pilgrim	N. E. Cook, Rt. 1, Box 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pineola	Shelby Vance, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Pleasant Hill	Earl Greene, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pleasant Valley	None	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
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Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Rt. 1, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	8	0	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
Whites Memorial	Hubert Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Yellow Mountain	Harold Dellinger, Rt. 3, Box 156, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N

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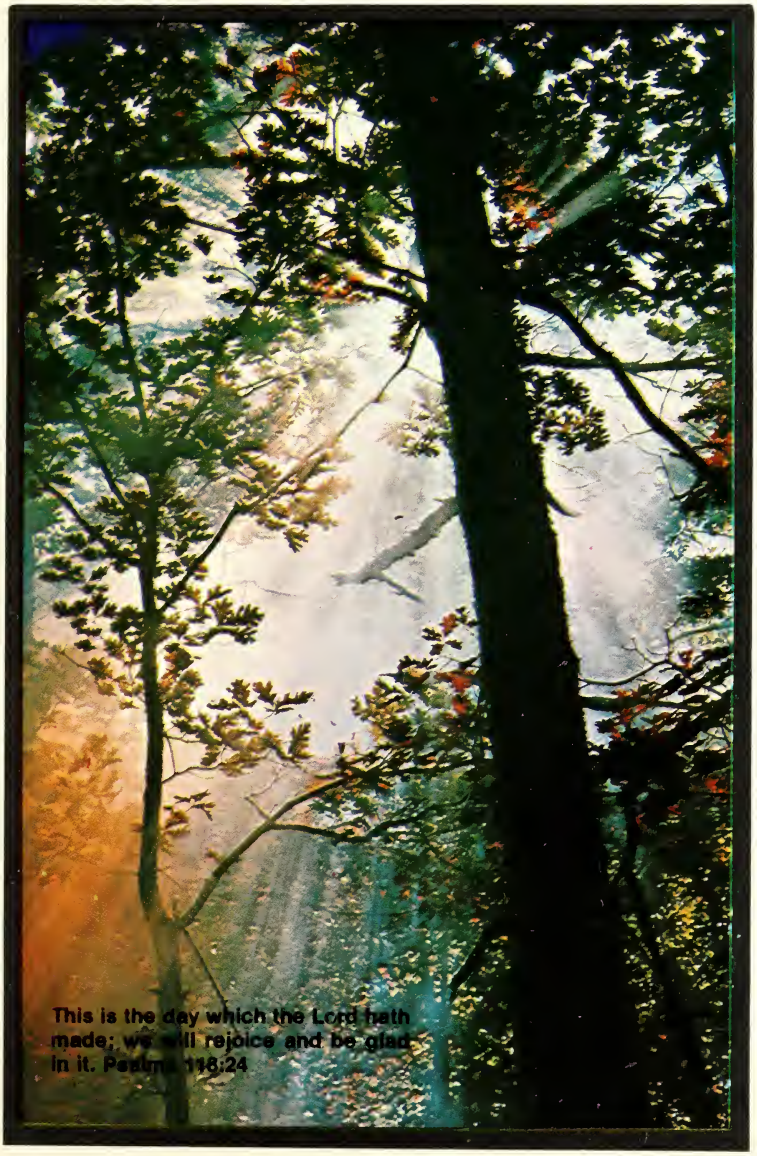

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of the

AVERY COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

1975

64th Annual Session

Held With

ELK PARK FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

and

ELK VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

August 7 and 8, 1975

OFFICERS

Moderator	Rev. Roy Barbee
Vice Moderator	Rev. Carson Eggers
Clerk-Treasurer	Mrs. Laura Baltzegar

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Constitution

(Revised 1973)

ARTICLE I—NAME

This body shall be known as the Avery Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II—PURPOSE

It is the purpose of the Association to provide an Organization of Cooperation for the Missionary Baptist Churches affiliated with it and to encourage them to faithfulness in every endeavor which we shall undertake together in the name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, and to encourage them in the support of the Cooperative Program of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the Southern Baptist Convention.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall consist of duly elected messengers from the membership of the various churches affiliated with the body, known as the Avery Baptist Association. (1) Each church having a membership of one hundred (100) or less shall be entitled to three (3) messengers, and for each additional fifty (50) members or major fraction thereof, an additional messenger; (2) The pastors who are members of the affiliated churches, (3) The duly elected officers of the Association; (4) The members of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV—AFFILIATED CHURCHES

The Missionary Baptist Churches which have petitioned for membership and by vote of the Association are considered to be in fellowship with the purpose and undertakings of this body, shall comprise the list of affiliated churches. The vote of the Association to extend fellowship or to withdraw fellowship shall be a two-thirds vote.

ARTICLES V AND VI—POWERS AND PREROGATIVES

The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovereignty or rights of the Churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council, nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way; yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety, and intelligence of the body it may justly acclaim for itself, for its objects and recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes unorthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by messenger or letter more than two (2) successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats or threats with contempt its objects and requirements. Any church desiring membership in the Avery Baptist Association shall place their petition with the Executive Committee, at least three (3) months prior to the annual meeting of the Association. The petition shall furnish all information on the designated form which is furnished by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE VII—DUTIES OF THE CHURCH

It shall be the duty of the church to elect messengers and to insist their attendance at all sessions of the given Associational Meeting. It shall be the duty of the church to have their Associational letter read and approved and sufficient funds included to pay for requested number of minutes at cost of printing; The letter shall be mailed to clerk of the Association ten (10) days prior to time for the Association to meet.

ARTICLE VIII—MEETINGS

The meetings of the Avery Baptist Association shall be held annually, beginning on the first Thursday and Friday of the month of August, unless otherwise ordered by the Executive Committee of the Association.

ARTICLE IX—OFFICERS AND DUTIES

The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Assistant Clerk-Treasurer, Historian, Sunday-School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Evangelism, and the Executive Committee. These officers shall be members of affiliated Baptist Churches and duly elected by the various organizations, subject to the approval of the Association.

Their active term of office shall begin at the beginning of the new church year on October 1st, following their election in August and continue as long as they are elected and approved by the body.

Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Moderator to act in executive capacity at all meetings; according to the principles of a presiding officer.

Vice Moderator: It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Clerk-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful records of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other appointed members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the body. As treasurer, he or she shall keep record of all funds coming into his or her possession and an account of disbursement

Assistant Clerk-Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Assistant Clerk-Treasurer to assist the Clerk-Treasurer in keeping records, publishing records and to act in the absence of the Clerk-Treasurer.

Historian: It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

The various heads of organizations namely, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, Director of Women's Missionary Union, Director of Brotherhood, Chairman of Missions Committee and Chairman of Evangelism shall preside over the activities of these ministries and promote the working of same.

The Associational Missionary shall assist in all the mission activities of the Association and assist in all possible ways with each ministry of the Association, and specifically when requested by the Association.

The Executive Committee shall consist of (1) The officers of the Association; (2) The pastor of each church, provided he is a member of the church he represents, and one laymember of his church; (3) Two laymembers, nominated and elected by the church from the churches who do not have a pastor as a member to represent them.

The duties of the Executive Committee shall be to transact whatever business may require attention of the Association between sessions, provided that a quorum of ten (10) be present, which action shall be binding upon the Association (subject to their approval at annual session). This committee shall submit a full report of its work to the Association at each annual session, together with recommendations for the promotion and extension of the work, including the annual Associational budget.

In event that any office, constituted by any article herein, becomes vacant during the Associational year, said office may be filled for the interim by appointment of the Executive Committee.

This constitution may be altered or amended by two-thirds vote of messengers present at any annual meeting; provided such an alteration or amendment shall be submitted in writing at the first day's session and acted upon at the second day's session.

Roberts Rules of Order, in as far as applicable, shall be followed in the governing of the Avery Baptist Association.

MESSENGERS TO THE ASSOCIATION 1975

AARON: John Hayes, Bonnie Clark
BEECH MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Lucille Moore, Mrs. Earlene Church, Truman Church, Dee Moore
BELLVIEW: Grace Ollis, Rhetta Gouge, Rom Huffman
BIG MEADOWS: Martha Pyatte, Maybell Benfield, Mrs. Frank Benfield
CHESTNUT DALE: Glenna Ollis, Jennie Hicks, Norma Johnson
CRANBERRY: Edith Brown, Nelle McCoury, John Holtsclaw, Elbert McCoury
CROSSNORE: Walter Jarvis, Patsy Greene, Stella Ward, Mrs. George Johnson, Roberta Aldridge, Marie Cuthbertson, Margie Calhoun, Mary Pritchard
ELK PARK: R. C. Issacs, O. L. Jullian, Dewey Mann
ELK VALLEY: Mrs. and Mrs. Stewart Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carver, Emma Ward
FALL CREEK: Tommy Mitchell, Gene Guy, Doyle Jones
HENSON CREEK: Rev. and Mrs. Brown Howell
JONAS RIDGE: Hessie Barrier, Virginia Franklin, Blanche Buckley, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Shell
MINNEAPOLIS: Virginia Young, Champ Young, Sharon Barnhill, Edwina Tatum
MT. PLEASANT: Mrs. Helma Daniels, Debbie Blalock, R. M. Heavener
NEWLAND: Pat V. Eller, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Bryant, Mrs. J. T. Tanner, Mrs. Bob Banner, Mrs. Warren Suttle
OAK GROVE: Rev. and Mrs. Earl Carver, Jr.
PILGRIM: Karen Buchanan, Rachel Jones, Kathy Stout
PINEOLA: Mrs. Bruce Smith, Mrs. Betty Webb, Mrs. Dorothy Andrews
PLEASANT HILL: Howard Issacs, Earl Greene, Rosa Buchanan, Esther Ward
PLEASANT VALLEY: Mrs. Frankie Bare, Mrs. Jewell Hayes, Mrs. Teresa Hicks
POWDERMILL: Rev. Daniel Whetstine, George Watson, Myrtle Watson, Will McKinney, Odie McKinney
STAMEYTOWN: Simon Franklin, Vida Carpenter, Pat Vance
VALLEY HAVEN: Mrs. Lillie Gilliam, Mrs. Mable Whitehead, Clara Perry, Polly Stewart
WHITES MEMORIAL: Hubert Carpenter, Onie Carpenter, Pauline Dellinger, Dora Phillips, Edith Love, Rev. William Grindstaff
YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Eula Dellinger, Bessie Murdock

Proceedings

August 7, 1975 the Avery Baptist Association met at the First Baptist Church of Elk Park for its annual meeting. The 64th annual session was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. Lloyd Ramsey. The meeting was opened with the congregation singing "Brethren We Have Met to Worship" led by Rev. Brown Howell. Rev. Carson Eggers, Pastor of the host church welcomed the meeting and asked Rev. Mack Hodge to lead in the morning devotion.

A motion was made and adopted that the messengers of the churches be seated for the purpose of transacting business. A motion was made and adopted to use the printed program for the day. The Roll Call of Churches was given by the clerk. Twenty-five of the twenty-nine churches answered with 101 delegates present.

The Moderator appointed the committees for the day as follows:

Resolution Committee: Rev. Harry Turbyfill, Mrs. J. T. Tanner and Gene Guy.

Time, Place, and Preacher Committee: Rev. Homer Murdock, Novell Cook and Elbert McCoury.

Mrs. Bettie Hooks read the following recommendation to the body:

"On July 7, 1975 the Avery Baptist Associational Executive Committee met at Elk Park Baptist Church. A recommendation was brought before the Committee to take the necessary procedure to establish a Budget Committee for our Association. After discussion the motion was made and seconded with the body voting Yes. The following is the proposal agreed upon and brought before you: The Budget Committee shall consist of five members, including the

Moderator and Clerk-Treasurer as two of the five-member body. The other three will be elected at the annual meeting. The committee is to be a rotating body, to be decided upon by the committee as to the rotation procedure."

1. The Executive Committee recommended further the following to serve as a beginning committee (upon approval of the annual session): Rev. Carson Eggers, Rev. Jerry Burleson, and Rev. Roy Barbee. The other two depending upon the election of officers at the annual session. 2. The Executive Committee recommends further, you give this committee the privilege of exercising a recommended budget for the current 1975-76 year. A motion was made and adopted to accept the recommendation.

The following officers were elected to serve for the coming year:

Moderator: Rev. Roy Barbee

Vice Moderator: Rev. Carson Eggers

Clerk-Treasurer: Laura Baltzegar.

Since Rev. Roy Barbee was elected to serve on the Budget Committee and also elected Moderator, a motion was made to elect another member to serve on the Budget Committee. Rev. Homer Murdock was elected.

The offering was received amounting to $83.03. The new pastors of the association were introduced at this time and Rev. Rupert Coleman, who was visiting with us, was introduced. Also, Rev. Jerry Burleson submitted his report on the Cooperative Program. He passed out some literature about the Program. His report was adopted. Rev. B. G. McMahan, who was assigned to give the Foreign Mission Report, had moved out of the association, so in his absence Dr. Rupert Coleman was asked to speak. He had served for one year with the Retirees Program in Teipi, Taiwan and had just finished a tour of Foreign Mission points. He spoke to us of the Teaching, Preaching and Healing Ministries of the Foreign Mission Board.

The Home Missions Report was given by Rev. Carson Eggers, followed by the Associational Missions Report by Rev. E. O. Bustle, Associational Director of Missions. The reports were adopted.

There was a pause in the reports for the annual sermon delivered by Rev. Jack Bryant. Following the sermon the meeting was adjourned for lunch.

Following a delicious meal served by the Women of the Church the afternoon session was called to order by the Moderator. The congregation sang "He Keeps Me Singing" and a short devotion was given by Rev. Harry Turbyfill.

There was some miscellaneous business that needed attention today:

1. A motion was made and carried that the body write a letter to the family of Rev. Joe Puett to express our concern about him in this time of crucial illness. At this time we paused for special prayer for Rev. Puett. 2. There were two churches that had not reported in two years, Fairview and Roaring Creek. A committee was elected to make contacts with these two churches. The following were elected: Rev. E. O. Bustle, Rev. Homer Murdock, Rev. Harry Turbyfill and Mrs. Martha Pyatte.

Mrs. Nell McCoury, who was to give the Christian Literature Report, was absent so Morse Grant, editor of BIBLICAL RECORDER, spoke at this time. His report was adopted for the minutes.

The Christian Education report was given by Rev. Roby Painter. Don Proctor, assistant dean of Gardner Webb College, spoke on his report.

Hugh Starnes, director of the Broyhill Children's Home, spoke at this time. He invited everyone to the Area Conference to be held at the Broyhill Home on September 4, 1975.

Roy Ollis gave the report for the Homes for the Aging and again this year Bill Poole, Director of Homes for the Aging, spoke on his report. He showed a sketch of the new residential home for the aging to be built in Asheville, North Carolina.

Rev. Roy Barbee gave his report on Temperance and Morals. The report was adopted. Rev. Jim Lambert, Area Missionary, spoke on his report concerning the test case on pornography at Maggie Valley.

There was no Evangelism Report so Rev. E. O. Bustle spoke about the Associational Youth Organization.

Pauline Dellinger gave the Baptist Hospital report which was adopted. Calvin Knight from the Baptist Hospital spoke at this time. Edwin Coats, Secretary of the North Carolina Baptist Foundations, Inc., spoke at this time and encouraged anyone to contact him to discuss their

interest in perpetual good works, and the development of a better plan for the state.

Rev. Douglas Baltzegar announced the Hospital Ministry in our Association and urged churches to give and pastors to volunteer for the daily services.

The meeting was adjourned until the next day with the congregation singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Friday, August 8, 1975

The second session was called to order at 9:30 A.M. O'clock in the Elk Valley Baptist Church. The Moderator, Rev. Lloyd Ramsey, presided.

The congregation was led in singing "Are You Washed in the Blood" by Rev. Brown Howell.

Rev. Douglas Baltzegar, Pastor of the host church, gave the morning devotion. He used Matthew 7:22-23 for his scripture and gave some thoughts on "What is Ordained by God."

The Moderator read a letter that he had written to the Puett family concerning our expression of concern for Rev. Joe Puett's illness. The letter was approved.

An Executive Board meeting was planned for the coming Tuesday to appoint committees to report next session. This is included in the Book of Reports as the program for 1976. Rev. Bustle, Associational Missionary, announced plans for the Lay Evangelism School to be held in the Association November 3-6, 1975. An offering was received amounting to $21.00.

The Vacation Bible School Report was read by the Clerk and adopted for the minutes. The Church Training Report was given and approved, followed by the Women's Missionary Report. There was no one present for the Brotherhood Report.

Rev. George Cowsert, Missionary on furlough from Brazil, spoke at this time. He is working with the Cooperative Program and Stewardship Department of the Baptist State Convention. Rev. Bustle gave out reports from the State office concerning the Cooperative Program. The report showed an increase of 30% over this time last year. Rev. Bustle also announced plans for a Stewardship Emphisis Week in March of 1976. If any church would like to have guest speakers for this occasion, please contact Rev. Bustle or the State Stewardship Department.

The Time, Place, and Preacher Committee reported the plans for next session:

First Day—August 5, 1976 at Fall Creek Baptist Church with Rev. Earl Carver, Jr. bringing the message, with Rev. Harry Lee Turbyfill serving as alternate preacher.

Second Day—August 6, 1976 at Fairview Baptist Church with Rev. Danny Whetstine delivering the annual sermon. Rev. Brown Howell will serve as alternate preacher.

The following was later submitted for the Resolution Committee: "We the Avery Baptist Association express our grateful appreciation for the use of your building for the annual meeting. We especially are thankful for the wonderful meal served by the ladies of your church. Most of all we are thankful for the warm fellowship from each of you that added so much to the enjoyment of our day with you." A copy was sent to each of the churches where we met.

The Obituaries were given by Mrs. J. C. Brown, and adopted for the minutes.

Rev. Roy Barbee delivered the annual sermon.

The meeting was adjourned and everyone was invited to stay for lunch.

The gavel was presented to Rev. Roy Barbee, our newly elected Moderator, and a standing ovation was given for our retiring Moderator for the excellent job he had done during his service to our Association.

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Just three short years ago, when we first began to make these annual reports we very vividly remember the fact that less than half of the churches, within this association supported the Co-op program.

It has been a joy and a privilege each year to see participation increase, and to make these increases known to you.

We are pleased again this year to report the addition of other churches to the roll of those participating. The balance has now changed overwhelmingly from less than 50% to approximately 70% of the churches of this association participating.

According to the information which we have received, both Pleasant Valley and Mt. Plea-

sant have established, and/or increased Co-op Program giving on a definite and REGULAR basis. It is our understanding that Yellow Mtn., although by designating their gifts to the Co-op Program as such, has launched a total mission program that is second to none!

Although designated Co-op Program funds do not show a great deal of increase according to the record, there has been an increase in total mission giving of $11,298.00. This is something to be proud of in view of the current economic condition!

As many of you know, the Co-op Program has just recently celebrated it's 50th Anniversary. No program is perfect, because it must be maintained and administered by imperfect mortals. However the Co-op Program has stood the test of time and it is the best and most efficient method of mission distribution that has yet been offered. Let us support it whole heartedly until such time as a better and more efficient program can be drawn up.

It is fine for our local congregations to designate our mission gifts, but the problem is that we are not in a position to see the total need, and as a result some area may go lacking. We all know how that with the old fireplace or log heater all the heat was confined to one room or one small area. We know now the advantage of central heating which gives even distribution. Let us look at the Co-op Program as the "Thermostat" of the total mission program. The "Thermostat" which "senses" the need and responds accordingly.

Submitted by,
Reverend Jerry Burleson

HOME MISSIONS

Missions as found in the Bible. The Bible tells us to do what our hands find to do. (Eccl. 9-10).

God does not give us something to do and not furnish the way and means to do it.

1. The Diversity of Gifts, Matt. 25-14. For the Kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

V. 15—And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

The greatest need today is for each person to find his calling and use it for God's glory.

2. Men are stewards not owners, Luke 19-13. And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, occupy till I come. Who is he talking to? You and me of course.

3. Faithfulness Required, I Cor. 4-2. Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. Because life is precious and there are many precious lives out here in this community, I Cor. 6-20. For you are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

4. When Christ saves a person that person becomes a missionary and he or she is a Home Missionary, you cannot be a foreign missionary until first beginning at home. I Peter 4-10. As every man hath received the gift even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

Submitted by,
Carson Eggers

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS REPORT

The first responsibility of the Association is Ministry to the local Churches. Lloyd Corder defines the association as "a fellowship of churches on mission in their setting." The first part of the definition is particularly significant for this point in our discussion, "a fellowship of churches." It has been well said that the association exists to minister TO the churches, to minister FOR the churches, to minister THROUGH the churches, and to minister FROM the churches.

No other unit of Baptist Life bears as much responsibility for assisting the churches as does the association. This has been true from earliest days.

I spent 144 days on the field; was in 165 services for the Lord. I drove 12,800 miles to services in Avery Association. Our over-all mission giving increased over 1973—$11,289. The best in any year since we have kept records.

Respectfully submitted,
E. O. Bustle

FINANCE COMMITTEE

It is a joy to share the blessings of this Year 1974-75 with you; as we have again moved ahead in Associational Missions, toward a more full-time work. God calls out those to do His work, and we His children should care for the material needs of those who go. One cannot be about God's work as needs arise; and at the same time be burdened with providing material needs. How we care for the needs of these Servants, say much about our love and attitude toward God. As the Scripture teaches, "If we cannot love our neighbor whom we hath seen, how can we love God whom we hath not seen."

We were joined by three more of our Churches this year, in supporting our Associational Missions. This brings our involvement to seventeen, with several increasing the support they were already giving.

The Associational office is now open. It is furnished enough to meet most needs, but there will always be room for doing. It is now served with telephone (733-9092); and our Missionary will be there Monday, Wednesday, and Friday afternoon, for the purpose of helping you or your church any way possible.

A proposed budget was set up as follows, to give us a goal to strive for in 1974-75. It was as follows:

Salary $1800.00 at $150.00 monthly
Rent Allowance $120.00 at $10.00 monthly
Travel Allowance $420.00 at $35.00 monthly
Convention Allowance $25.00
Office Allowance $180.00 at $15.00 monthly
Total $2545.00

We applied for $1200.00 supplement, giving a proposed budget of $3745.00. In January 1975 there was an increase of salary to $185.00. This includes office and travel expenses, and salary expense.

This was handled in this manner for tax purposes. We're happy to share an increase again the first of July to $240.00, which gets into another fiscal year.

Following is a picture of this year's results:

OFFERINGS			EXPENSES
Aaron	$144.00	Missionary Salary—July 74 —	
Beech Mtn.	100.00	Jan. 75 at $175.00	$1050.00
Cranberry	110.00		
Crossnore	180.00	Missionary Salary—Jan. 75 —	
Elk Park	109.72	July 75 at $185.00	1110.00
Fall Creek	120.00		
Jonas Ridge	275.00	Office Equipment and draperies	127.00
Mt. Pleasant	60.00		
Newland	270.00	Rent for 6 months	60.00
Pineola	258.72	TOTAL	$2347.00
Pleasant Hill	40.00		
Pleasant Valley	51.33	The remainder of $288.00 for Office	
Stamey Town	180.00	Furnishings was paid out a $400.00	
Whites Memorial	60.00	Office Supplement received. There	
Sugar Mtn.	20.00	are some funds out of this supple-	

Valley Haven	72.00
Yellow Mtn.	349.96
TOTAL	$2410.73

ment, yet to be used. In addition to Salary shown, our Missionary did receive a supplement of $2002.00. This supplement will no doubt decrease this year.

Beloved God's work will go on whether you're the willing instrument, or another. When we refuse, we're standing in the same position Israel did when she refused to accept Christ as Messiah. We're trying to do God's will in our own way and not His. Are we concerned about our own need, or are we willing to be used that others might see His love flowing through us. It would be a blessing, beyond measure, to see our churches within this Association, working together first among themselves, and then outreaching to meet human needs in Christ's name. God bless each of you, in the approaching year, and all you endeavor to do in His will.

Respectfully yours,
Bettie Hooks, Chairman

1975 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING

August 1, 1974	Balance	$409.18		$409.18
August 8, 1974	Deposit (From Annual Meeting and receipts for annuals)	441.70		850.88
September 30, 1974	Clerks Salary		$75.00	775.88
September 27, 1974	Deposit (for annuals)	16.00		791.88
September 26, 1974	Jonas Ridge Post Office (mailing permit for remaining of 1974)		30.00	761.88
December 18, 1974	Jonas Ridge Post Office (for mailing annuals)		8.42	753.46
December 23, 1974	Southern Baptist Press (500 annuals)		200.45	553.01
January 1, 1975	Jonas Ridge Post Office (mailing permit for 1975 calendar year)		30.00	523.01
January 1, 1975	Deposit (20 annuals) Jonas Ridge Baptist)	20.00		543.01
June 9, 1975	Jonas Ridge Post Office (postage for church letters)		8.04	534.97
TOTAL RECEIPTS	$477.70			
Plus Beginning Balance	409.18			
	$886.88			
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		$351.91		
CLOSING BALANCE		534.97		
		$886.88		

Respectfully submitted,
Patricia B. Shell, Clerk-Treasurer

1975 BIBLICAL RECORDER REPORT TO THE ASSOCIATIONS

Baptist state papers claimed more attention than usual at the 1975 meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention in Miami Beach this year. In the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Cooperative Program, it was revealed that they had played a tremendous part in the growth of

our denomination. Louie D. Newton, denominational statesman and former editor of Georgia's CHRISTIAN INDEX, introduced all the 33 editors of state papers and made a comparison of circulation of each in 1975 with that of 1925 when the Cooperative Program was born. Many were not in existence at that time, however, but this in itself reveals something of Southern Baptist growth.

In giving a special committee report on state papers, H. Franklin Paschall, pastor of First Church, Nashville, Tenn., reported that present circulation is 1 3/4 million and recommended that the convention reaffirm its goal of getting a state paper into two million Baptist homes by 1980. The committee recommended a vigorous campaign in all states to help accomplish this, and also recommended that state papers be incorporated in all local church budgets.

The BIBLICAL RECORDER is one of those 33 state papers, and one of the oldest, and we hope, one of the best. In spite of continued problems for religious publications because of inflation, and skyrocketing postage costs, the circulation of the RECORDER remains above 112,000. Congregations including it in their budgets for all their families are the ones which have an informed membership. It is our hope that North Carolina Churches will take seriously the recommendation reaffirmed at the Southern Baptist Convention that state papers be incorporated in local church budgets for all their member families. Already more than 1,000 churches in North Carolina are doing this, and more congregations do so each year. Pastors and deacons should initiate such action, and it should be supported by all the organizations in the church.

The BIBLICAL RECORDER has covered many sensitive issues this past year. Words of appreciation have come from Baptist people all across the state, for they are aware that "an informed people is the bulwark of Baptist democracy."

The RECORDER continues to operate on a limited budget, and with an altogether too small staff. Local churches can help us by understanding these limitations, and by renewing their subscription plans promptly.

Ray K. Hodge, pastor of First Church, Kinston, says: "One of the easiest tasks I have had as a pastor is to lead churches to include and keep the denominational paper in the church budget. It is such a bargain that trying to save a few dollars (by not subscribing to it for our families) is too costly. It would be like saving the expense of regular visits to the dentist, only to pay more in various ways later."

His advice is well taken.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Marse Grant, Editor
BIBLICAL RECORDER

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION REPORT

Christian education should start in the home. Of this there is no doubt, but so often it is not true. Therefore, the obligation falls on the Church. For many, the Church is the only source of Christian education. The burden falls heavy on the Church, and especially the Sunday School.

When we think of Christian education, we think of our Colleges and Seminaries. We can be grateful for institutions of learning. Our Colleges, not only train for Christian service, but they train for other walks of life as well.

May we support our Colleges and encourage our Young people to attend these Baptist Schools of higher learning.

Respectfully submitted,
Roby L. Painter

1975 REPORT
TO
THE ASSOCIATIONS
ON
N. C. BAPTIST HOMES FOR THE AGING

There has never been a year in the history of your Baptist Homes when more people have sought the services of the Homes. This has been true particularly of the aging sick person. Almost daily calls come from older persons, and their families, inquiring about admission to one of your five resident Homes and the Skilled Nursing Care Facility of the Homes.

Today there are some 21,000,000 Americans 65 and above, and this number, it is anticipated, will grow by over 300,000 a year in the years ahead. The needs of aging people are overwhelming, and we must strive diligently to meet those needs.

Although we can minister in our North Carolina Baptist Homes to only 230 persons at any given time, we have served hundreds of aging people through the twenty-four years that we have been on the scene at Resthaven, the Hayes Home, and the Nursing Care Unit, in Winston-Salem, and in our Homes at Albemarle, Hamilton, and Yanceyville. As God continues to bless us and lead us, we will make every effort to expand our ministry and to reach out and help as many older persons as possible in the years ahead. We can do this only by the grace of the Lord and by the increased concern and giving of our Baptist people.

Gifts for 1974-75 from our Baptist Churches, through the Cooperative Program and through the 3rd Sunday of February Offering for the Homes, reflect a very encouraging increase. This is great, and we are grateful especially since four out of every five persons who live in our Homes depend upon these love gifts for their care! Your love gift is a life-line to these deserving older persons, and they could not be cared for in the majority of cases, if it were not for you.

Signs on the horizon indicate that we will need greater financial support for our Homes for the Aging from our Baptist people than ever before.

The most exciting development in the family of your Baptist Homes for the past year has been the experience of obtaining one of the most beautiful locations in the Blue Ridge mountains of North Carolina for the proposed Western North Carolina Baptist Home. This site is a twenty-one acre tract of land overlooking the city of Asheville, better known as the Pearson Estate, on Richmond Hill, in Northwest Asheville. God Himself, we feel, has guided us in discovering this beautiful site.

Plans are in the making now to raise $1,000,000 for the construction of this new proposed Western North Carolina Baptist Home. These plans initially will include 50 rooms for residents, with living room, dining room, library, chapel and activities room, and other necessary rooms. With the completion of this Home, North Carolina Baptists will be enlarging their base of ministry to almost 300 persons, and older people from Western North Carolina will have a facility to serve the hundreds in their area who will need the service of this lovely facility now and in the years to come.

Pray for the ministry of your Baptist Homes for the Aging. Give as liberally as possible that the overwhelming needs of older people in our midst might be met more adequately. Visit the Homes and see first-hand the personal joy that your gifts bring. Know that your ministry to even one of these dear older people is a ministry as unto Christ Himself.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Ollis

TEMPERANCE AND MORALS REPORT

God teaches us in His word that we are to deny ungodliness and worldly lust, that we should live soberly, righteously, and Godly, in this present world.

Some of the things that are happening around us today are ungodly. We see pornography

on our local news stands, X-rated movies being shown in our theaters, beer and liquor being sold. These are some of the things that we should be concerned about and deny.

There was a bill introduced this year while the General Assembly was in session by Representative Dan Lilley of Kinston to close every beer joint in North Carolina at midnight. This bill failed to receive enough support in the House ABC Committee to pass.

There was also a bill introduced by Representative Jimmy Love of Sanford to strengthen the State-wide statute regulating the flow of pornography. This bill also failed to receive enough support to pass.

The Christian Action League has done a great job. They continue to need our help and support in order to fight against some of these ungodly things. We as God's people, need to take a stand and deny this ungodliness.

God created man in His likeness and to live a Christlike life. He made our life sacred. We need to recognize the sacredness of life and fight to preserve it in every way possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Lee Barbee

1975
BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT TO ASSOCIATIONS

There have been many significant developments, in several different areas, at your Baptist Hospital during the past year.

By the time this report is read the new ambulatory care unit will be open, making possible enlarged and improved services for the Emergency Room, Out-Patient Clinics, Physical Therapy and other departments. Renovation of the West Wing will be complete and renovation on the South Wing will begin in early August. The third floor of the Progressive Care Unit has been remodeled to provide 26 beds, therapy room and other improved facilities for Psychiatric services.

The long-awaited EMI-scanner is now in use and is already proving beneficial in detecting blood clots, tumors, strokes and other abnormalities of the brain.

A Family Practice Center opened July 1, 1975 to offer more primary medical care for patients and also to provide specialized training for physicians who choose to enter Family Practice.

During the year the hospital had its biennial review by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation. All areas of operation received an excellent report, but physician service, nursing service and administration all received especially high commendation.

Despite the continued rise in costs for services and materials the hospital has been able to operate in the black. The administration and department heads confer frequently and make diligent effort to see that the hospital operates as efficiently and economically as possible.

Gifts from the Baptist churches have been very gratifying. During the calendar year of 1974 the hospital received $258,898 through the Cooperative Program and $392,000 through the Mother's Day Offering. Hospital staff members have participated in Cooperative Program promotion in cooperation with the State Convention Division of Stewardship and Cooperative Program Promotion.

The Department of Pastoral Care has opened a counseling center in Raleigh, its second satellite center. Plans are developing for a third satellite in the western part of the state. The Department has established a scholarship fund as a memorial to Dr. Richard K. Young, the department's first director, who died December 31. Full re-accreditation was given the School of Pastoral Care in December by the Association of Clinical Pastoral Education.

During the past year Mr. Reid T. Holmes retired as President of the hospital, after serving in the hospital administration for 29 years.

Submitted by,
Pauline Dellinger

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING—JULY 12, 1975

The meeting was opened with a welcome by the assistant S. S. Director Mason Carpenter, who presided in the absence of the director.

All joined in the hymn—Take Time To Be Holy. The devotion, with the reading of God's word from Matthew 28:16-20 was led by Jack Bryant, who gave us several thoughts as he asked, "what are we as ministers, as God's children, to be about?" All power belonged to him then and now belongs to him therefore, to us in his will. The following thoughts (1) Go (2) As you go make disciples (3) Baptize (4) Teach, followed by prayer.

The roll call of churches was given, with the following 9 answering and giving reports: Big Meadows—reported a good vacation Bible School, and over 100 average in Sunday School.

Chestnut Dale—had a VBS and So average Sunday School attendance.

Jonas Ridge—attendance average improved, good VBS

Mount Pleasant—Best VBS ever.

Newland—202 enrollment, VBS average around 96.

Pleasant Hill—Added a new class now have 13, VBS

Pleasant Valley—improving, VBS 2 converts out of Bible School

Stameytown—attendance up 10% , good VBS

Whites Memorial—Average attendance 70, VBS average 42 reported 10 converts

There were 9 churches reporting.

No old business

New business—thoughts of changing meeting to evening session it was motioned and voted to remain as is but have a program committee appointed, with chairman, who would work along with director and assistant director to have an informative meeting. Use Youth Choir, etc. This was agreed.

There were 2 pastors present, 3 S. S. Directors, Association Missionary and Area Missionary.

Election of Officers followed with the following elected. Director—Burnette Hayes (of Pleasant Valley Church), Assistant Director—Carl Wright (of Big Meadows Church), Program Chairman—Andrea Brtabt (of Newland Church), Secretary—Bettie Hooks (of Jonas Ridge Church). The Time, Place and Preacher Committee was appointed by the Chairman—Jerry Turbyfill (Chestnut Dale), McArthur Vance (Stamey Town), and Jack Bryant (Newland). A report was to be given from this committee after recess.

Our Area Missionary Brother James Lambert was with us and shared some thoughts of what teaching means. It is not just facts and knowledge, but how to interpret God's word and how we should live. Also, shared was some of the Studies in coming Sunday School Study. Recess followed, and upon several announcements were made Association Youth Revival at Newland Church July 27-31. WIN Schools in November at Crossnore Church. Film and program available an mission and Cooperative Program and make it known if you desire this. Contact Missionary Bible Study begins again the second Tuesday in September. It will be in the Stamey Town Church. The study will be Great Men Of The Bible. Associational Meetings—seventh and eighth.

Offering received in the amount of $18.29. Report from Time, Place and Preacher Comm. As agreed beforehand it will be the SECOND Saturday in July, '76 at Newland Baptist Church, with Irby McKinny the messenger.

This closed the business at hand. The service was turned over to the speaker of the hour, Roy Barbie; who shared first Timothy (4:12-16). He left this thought "LET YOUR LIFE BE AN EXAMPLE. Be thou an example. If you don't walk the walk don't talk the talk. FIRST, OUR LIFE LEADERS and Pastors should be faithful live Christian life and be the example. We're to show or put examples before others. SECOND, Self (Conduct, Commitment indication of being with Jesus) This should be an example in His love. "Take heed unto thyself," verse 16. Who are you and what are you? Where does your true loyality lie? Convey yourself wholly that it might be used. We're involved in a soaring proclamation. Do we do out of obligation? Be thou an example, somebody is watching your life.

Closed with Prayer
followed by adjourment,
Bettie Hooks, Secretary

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Plans for Vacation Bible School began early in 1975 to help make it a good summer in our association. It began when Rev. Roy Barbee, Louise Barbee, Betty Hooks, Rev. E. O. Bustle and Rev. Steve Baughman attended the State VBS Clinic in January at Wingate College, Wingate, N.C. Then through the help of these and several workers from Stoney Fork Association we held our Spring VBS Clinic at Newland Baptist Church. We feel like these clinics are a help as we have an opportunity to share our hopes and goals for Vacation Bible Schools in our association. We thank God for each school and what it means to our Children and Adults. We encourage every church that didn't have a V. B. S. this year to try and have one next year so you won't miss out on the fun and privilege to serve and glorify God with children and other adults. Twenty-three had V. B. S. with 1,363 enrolled.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Steve Baughman

CHURCH TRAINING AND MINISTRIES

Time has slipped up on many of us and we're still thinking Training Union. Yes! That's true in part but, it's bigger than just a union. It is a great way of life.

We spend so much of our time training our physical children in the proper light; and yet, aren't we a family as Christians. Why do we neglect the nurturing and growing in stature of our Christian family? In Luke 2:52 God's word reads, "and Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and favour with God and man."

We cannot share with others what we do not have. We must seek to find and upon finding, we can share. Christ tells us to follow Him and He will make us fishers of men. How can we cast the hook, if we aren't familiar with the waters? How can we cast the bait without being prepared?

This is what training is all about. Helping us to better prepare our lives, that we might share in the body and reach out to others. This is why Church Training and Ministries. The Church is the Christian School. You'll only learn through the people of God, the things of God. Not from the world. It must be the Church helping each other in their daily life. Upon putting the Christian life on more fully, we're then more ready to minister. To minister, is to meet human needs in Christ's name.

Church Training and Ministries cover many areas of our Christian life. Senior Citizen, Youth, Deacon, Teacher, Family Bible Study, Committees. There should be no end, as to Christian exercise of life. That is exactly what Church Training is. We might say knowing, modeling and sharing. The Church should be continually teaching and helping to nourish her Children.

Would you walk off, leaving your children to plug the best way they could? No! Then why have we so few who apparently care what happens to their Christian family. We have so many Churches today who have dropped every type of Church Training. Out of our own Avery Associational Churches, we have about half who offer anything.

The very fact of this evidence, proves we have great need. None of us have recovered, we're in the process of recovering. When we think we're all so right, we're never so wrong. What can we say to help us see we're deceiving, cheating and stealing from our people. Yes, as leaders we're teachers. We teach by every example of our life. Our life is leading one way or the other. There's no middle ground with God, he shall stand accountable before Him. In James (4:17), the word reads "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good; and doeth it not, to him it is sin."

The local church will never do more than its leadership vision. We cannot help unless we realize needs in our life. Where there is lack of concern, of understanding, of faithfulness of awareness, of encouragement and to desire to do, there's a problem. Busy people are CHURCH TRAINING AND MINISTERS happy people. An idle mind is the devils workshop. Out of involvement, you will see growing awareness and understanding. You will see working

people, happy people and growing, sharing people.

Pastor, teacher, deacon, Committee member, W.M.U. Director, Brotherhood Director, Music Director and others, won't you offer to help others along the way, by sharing in an effective Communication with them?

Will you be a stumbling block or a blessing? The decision must be yours as will be the blessing or consequence. If we want no help, there's no way to help. If we cannot see our need, we certainly cannot see others. God help each of us open our eyes that we may see; and our ears that we may hear. We cannot do for others what they may do for self. We can only do that they cannot do for self. Charity must begin at home. Where is yours?

Respectfully yours,
Bettie C. Hooks, Director

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

"The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14) The annual meeting of the Avery Baptist W.M.U. was held Monday evening May 5, 1975 at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. Our Speakers were Deaver M. Lawton and daughter Carol of Ridgecrest. Rev. Lawton is a retired Southern Baptist Missionary from China, Thailand, and Taiwan.

The program theme was "Sharing God's Love Now." The highlight of the program was a skit "Living Pictures" given by the Stamey Town GA's and acteens directed by: Mrs. Eddie Buchanan. We are very proud of our youth organization and their leaders. They have been very active.

Our Associational W.M.U. officers have attended conferences at Ridgecrest, Mundo Vista, and Fruitland. Some of our ladies are planning on attending the conference at Ridgecrest this month, also, the W.M.U. workshop at Fruitland. We have two mission books taught each year for Annie Armstrong Easter offering, and Lottie Moon Christmas offering, taught by: Mrs. Margaret Ollis.

We are praying that each church in the association will see the need of organizing a Baptist Women's Organization, and the organizations for the youth. If any of our organizational W.M.U. officers can help you in any way, Please contact your W.M.U. Director, and I will get you the help you need. Our next meeting will be with Elk Park Church, the first Monday night in May.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellen B. Bustle

Program for the 1976 Session

August 5, 1976 Fall Creek Baptist Church
August 6, 1976 Fairview Baptist Church

A.M.

9:30 Call to Order ..... Rev. Roy Barbee, Moderator
Hymn

9:40 Morning Devotion ..... Pastor of Host Church
Roll Call of Churches
Appointment of Committees
Miscellaneous Business
Offering
Election of Officers

10:30	Cooperative Program	Rev. Homer Murdock
10:45	Foreign Missions	Rev. Erby McKinney
11:00	Home Missions	Rev. Raymond Turbyfill
11:10	Associational Missions	Rev. E. O. Bustle
11:20	Annual Sermon	Rev. Earl Carver, Jr.
12:00	Adjournment for Lunch	

P.M.

1:00	Devotion	
1:10	Christian Literature	Rev. Harry Turbyfill
1:20	Finance Committee Report	Chairman of Committee
1:30	Christian Education	Rev. Doug Baltzegar
1:40	Childrens Homes	Rev. Kenneth Lance
1:50	Homes for the Aging	Rev. Danny Whetstine
2:00	Temperance and Morals	Rev. Randolph Heavener
2:10	Evangelism Committee	Rev. Lloyd Ramsey
2:20	Baptist Hospital	Rev. Carson Eggers
2:30	Sunday School	Burnett Hayes
2:40	Annuity Board	Rev. Jack Bryant
3:00	Baptist Foundation	Earl Greene

Second Day

A.M.

9:30	Devotion and Welcome	Pastor of Host Church
9:40	Miscellaneous Business	
9:50	Financial Report (General Fund)	Laura Baltzegar
10:00	Hymn and Offering	
10:10	Vacation Bible School	Rev. Stephen Baughman
10:20	Church Training	Bettie Hooks
10:30	Women's Missionary Union	Ellen Bustle
10:40	Brotherhood	Gerald Aldridge
10:50	Stewardship	Rev. Jerry Burleson
11:00	Music	Robert Murdock
11:20	Historian Report	John Hayes
11:30	Obituaries	Mrs. J. C. Brown
11:35	Report of Committees	
11:40	Annual Sermon	Rev. Danny Whetstine
	Adjournment	

HISTORIANS REPORT

Avery County Baptist Association had its beginning almost 64 years ago. On September 20, 1912, messengers and members of ten churches met at Aaron Baptist Church in Montezuma, N.C.

The following Churches were admitted after letters were read: Aaron, Jonas Ridge, Elk Park, Saginaw (now Pineola), Henson's Creek, Roaring Creek, Green Valley, Pleasant Hill, Minneapolis, and Big Meadows. Rev. W. H. Ollis was elected to serve as Moderator. The ten Churches were served by three pastors, and the total salaries paid them by the ten Churches was $596.33. Total gifts to State Missions was $101.77, to Foreign Missions $40.00, and to the Baptist Orphanage $10.25, the first year.

Today the Association is comprised of 29 Churches and a total membership of 3,483. The total paid to Missions during the 1974-75 year was $44,920. In spite of the threating inflation of our economy the gifts to Cooperative Program has experienced a 30% increase over the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
S. W. Vance, Historian

HISTORICAL TABLE

YEAR	MEETING PLACE	MODERATOR
1912	Aaron	W. H. Ollis
1913	Pleasant Hill	S. M. Pittman
1914	Big Meadows	C. C. Bryant
1915	Jonas Ridge	W. H. Ollis
1916	Yellow Mountain	W. H. Ollis
1917	Roaring Creek	D. A. Greene
1918	Green Valley	D. A. Greene
1919	Crossnore	D. A. Greene
1920	Minneapolis	S. M. Pittman
1921	Beech Mountain	R. T. Lewis
1922	Pleasant Hill	R. T. Lewis
1923	Newland	N. S. Hampton
1924	Elk Valley	N. S. Hampton
1925	Chestnut Dale	N. S. Hampton
1926	Green Valley	N. S. Hampton
1927	Big Meadows	N. S. Hampton
1928	Jonas Ridge	N. S. Hampton
1929	Yellow Mountain	N. S. Hampton
1930	Roaring Creek	N. S. Hampton
1931	Aaron	K. L. Haga
1932	Crossnore	K. L. Haga
1933	Powdermill	Ed. W. Buchanan
1934	Mt. Pleasant	Ed. W. Buchanan
1935	Beech Mountain	Ed. W. Buchanan
1936	Pineola	G. D. Danner
1937	Flat Springs	G. D. Danner
1938	Green Valley	V. W. Greene
1939	Fall Creek	V. W. Greene
1940	Newland	V. W. Greene
1941	Yellow Mountain	V. W. Greene
1942	Elk Valley	V. W. Greene
1943	Belview	R. T. Teague
1944	Elk Park	R. T. Teague
1945	Pleasant Hill and Minneapolis	R. L. Painter
1946	Jonas Ridge and Oak Grove	D. N. Jones
1947	Cranberry	D. N. Jones
1948	Powdermill	V. W. Greene
1949	Crossnore and Mt. Pleasant	D. N. Jones
1950	Aaron and Newland	J. W. Costner
1951	Elk Valley and Valley Haven	J. C. Brown
1952	Sugar Mountain and Big Meadows	Mack Hodge
1953	Belview and Minneapolis	Mack Hodge
1954	Fairview and Whites Mem.	Mack Hodge
1955	Flat Springs and Beech Mt.	Mack Hodge
1956	Pleasant Hill and Newland	D. N. Jones
1957	Crossnore and Chestnut Dale	Ira Hodges
1958	Fall Creek and Roaring Creek	Howard Hodges
1959	Elk Park and Cranberry	Howard Hodges
1960	Oak Grove and Stamey Town	G. H. Dellinger
1961	Aaron and Jonas Ridge	G. H. Dellinger
1962	Minneapolis and Pleasant Hill	Marion C. (Billy) Smith

1963	Beech Mt. and Elk Valley	Marion C. (Billy) Smith
1964	Powdermill and Belview	D. N. Jones
1965	Valley Haven and Cranberry	Raymond Turbyfill
1966	Flat Springs and Fall Creek	Raymond Turbyfill
1967	Yellow Mt. and Whites Mem.	Raymond Turbyfill
1968	Pleasant Hill and Big Meadows	Joe R. Puett
1969	Beech Mt. and Mt. Pleasant	Joe R. Puett
1970	Crossnore and Minneapolis	Max Holland
1971	Newland and Aaron	Robert Lindley
1972	Belview and Beech Mt.	Robert Lindley
1973	Big Meadows and Chesnut Dale	Lee Pittman
1974	Cranberry and Crossnore	Lloyd Ramsey
1975	Elk Park and Elk Valley	Lloyd Ramsey

OBITUARIES

I met with God, He took my hand
And softly, I understand
I looked at Him and then I knew
That what He said was really true
For there is no problem, grief or care
That can't be solved with God in prayer.

Our Beloved Dead

AARON: Mrs. Ruth Franklin and Mr. Charlie Hartley
BELVIEW: Mrs. Onard Gouge
BIG MEADOWS: Mrs. Arizona Shook
CRANBERRY: Mrs. Lizzie Holtsclaw, Mr. O. L. Wright, deacon, Earl Green, and Charlie Johnson
ELK PARK FIRST: Mr. Clarence Carroll
FALL CREEK: Linzie Smith and Frank Jones
HENSON CREEK: Mr. Ivon Lusk and Sylvia Johnson
JONAS RIDGE: Newton Clark
MINNEAPOLIS: Jessie Grindstaff and Mrs. Texie Grindstaff
NEWLAND FIRST: Mrs. Nettie Carpenter
OAK GROVE: Mr. Wade Buchanan, deacon
PILGRIM: Mr. John Jones
PLEASANT HILL: Mr. Lum Buchanan, Mrs. Andris B. Harmon
PLEASANT VALLEY: Mr. Sampson Hicks and Mrs. Sampson Hicks
POWDERMILL: Lloyd Buchanan
ROARING CREEK: Mrs. Bess Calhoun
SUGAR MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Lettie Mae Poteat, Mr. George Taylor
WHITE MEMORIAL: Mark Vance
YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Robert L. McKinney, Lellie McKinney

Submitted by,
Mrs. J. C. Brown

TABLE A CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER INFORMATION 1975

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Clerk: MRS. LAURA BALTZEGAR
Address: Rt. 1 City: Elk Park, State: N. C. Zip: 28622

CHURCHES	PASTORS & ADDRESSES	County	3 Year organized as a church	4 Location	5 Services held twice on Sunday? Y	5 Services held twice on Sunday? N	13 Total Baptisms	14 Other additions (by letter, statement, etc.)	15 Members lost (by letter, death, statement, etc.)	16 Present resident members	17 Present nonresident members	18 Grand total present members	19 No. members received from non-Baptist Churches	20 No. members lost to non-Baptist Churches	25 Value of pastor's home if owned by the church	26 Value of church property, including pastor's home	27 Total church debt at end of this associational year
Aaron	Stephen Baughman, Montezuma 28653	Avery	1858	2	x		0	0	5	120	27	147	0	0	0	100000	3700
Beech Mountain	Ray Green, Rt. 2, Butler, Tenn. 37640	Avery	1869	1		x	7	3	3	88	62	150	0	0		10000	1840
Bellview		Avery	1922	1	x		0	2	4	50	19	69	0	0		40000	0
Big Meadows	James Beaver, Rt. 2, Box 53, Burnsville 28714	Avery	1845	1			7	2	1	107	65	172	0	0		50000	0
Chestnut Dale		Avery	1903	1		x	0	0	5	45	0	45	0	0		20000	0
Cranberry	Clarence Smith, Rt. 1, Jonesboro, Tenn. 37659	Avery	1908	2		x	0	7	9	148	50	198	1	0		40000	250
Crossnore	J. R. Puett, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1907	2	x		16	6	3	373	275	648	1	0	25000	175000	0
Elk Park	Carson Eggers, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock 28605	Avery	1917	3	x		0	4	4	56	25	81	0	0		33000	0
Elk Valley	Douglas Baltzegar, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	Avery	1882	1	x		0	3	3	102	112	214	0	0		70000	0
Fairview	Rose Wise, Rt. 4, Box 197, Bakersville 28705	Avery	1939	1	x		8	3	2			86	0	0		-	
Fall Creek	Harry Lee Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1885	1		x	1	3	6	89	67	156	0	0		15000	0
Green Valley		Avery	1886	1		x	0	0	2	32	38	70	0	0		10000	833
Henson Creek	Brown Howell, Box 27, Pineola 28662	Avery	1900	1	x		1	1	8	95	48	143	0	0		30000	0
Jonas Ridge	Roy Lee Barbee, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Burke	1887	1	x		5	4	15	119	72	191	0	15	8000	25000	0
Minneapolis	Clifford Phillips, Box 20, Minneapolis 28652	Avery	1887	2	x		2	2	2	88	42	130	0	0	43000	110000	35000
Mount Pleasant	R. M. Heavner, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	Avery	1869	1	x		2	4	2	60	40	100	1	0		20000	0
Newland, First	Jack Bryant, Box 492, Newland 28657	Avery	1921	2	x		3	6	8	295	74	369	1	1	25000	185700	0
Oak Grove	Earl Carver, Jr., Rt. 2, Box 7, Newland 28657	Avery	1900	1	x		18	3	3			162	0	0		45000	0
Pilgrim	Harry Lee Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1964	1		x	0	3	1	60	15	75	0	0		20000	0
Pineola	Jerry Burleson, Crossnore 28616	Avery	1913	1	x		1	7	2	64	6	71	0	0		14000	2200
Pleasant Hill	Kenneth Lance, Rt. 1, Box 106A, Newland 28657	Avery	1905	1	x		1	0	53	210	121	331	0	1	24000	84000	0
Pleasant Valley	Erby McKinney, Bluefield A., Elizabethton, Tenn. 37643	Avery	1893	1	x		23	5	2	70	22	92	0	0		10000	0
Powdermill	Daniel Whetstine, Rt. 2, Box 298, Burnesville	Avery	1914	1	x		6	9	7	110	36	146	4	0		30000	0
Roaring Creek	Park Whitson, Rt. 1, Bakersville	Avery	1871	1	x		10	10	1	66	35	101	0	0		8500	0
Stameytown	Carson Eggers, Rt. 1, Blowing Rock 28605	Avery	1947	1	x		17	0	0	67	30	97	0	0	19000	40000	0
Sugar Mountain	Alfred Jones, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	Avery	1950	1		x	0	3	3	26	21	47	0	0		35000	0
Valley Haven	Lloyd Ramsey, Rt. 2, Box 86B, Banner Elk 28604	Avery	1948	3	x		0	8	4	50	15	65	2	0		75000	4800
Whites Memorial	Raymond Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	Avery	1949	1	x		6	4	4	75	54	129	0	0		15000	0
Yellow Mountain	Homer Murdock, Jr., Rt. 3, Box 756, Spruce Pine 28777		1869	1	x		3	2	2	149	9	158	1	0		35000	0

TABLE B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL 1975

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Sunday School Director: BURNETT HAYES

Address: Rt. 1 City: Elk Park State: North Carolina Zip: 28622

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	53 Cradle Roll enrolment (under 2 years of age)	54 Preschool enrolment (Birth through 5 years)	55 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	56 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	57 Young Adult enrolment Single (18-29 years or H. S. graduation through 29 years)	58 Young Adult enrolment Married (18-29 years or H. S. graduation through 29 years)	59 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	60 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	61 Adults Away enrolment	62 Homebound Units enrolment	63 General officers enrolment	64 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	65 Total ongoing Sunday School enrolment	66 Average weekly Sunday School attendance	67 Number of Bible Study groups	68 Bible Study groups enrolment	69 Weekday Bible Study enrolment	70 Church V. B. S. enrolment	71 Mission V. B. S. enrolment	72 Total V. B. S. enrolment
Aaron	Fred Franz, Montezuma 28653	3	11	6	11	12	25	11	6	0	11	2	11	109	62	1	20	0	41	0	41
Beech Mountain	Bert Triratta, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	8	13	9	0	24	28	0	0	0	0	0	82	60	0	0	0	55	0	55
Bellview	Melvin Bowman, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	3	0	15	15	0	0	19	4	0	0	4	0	60	54	0	0	15	0	0	0
Big Meadows	Carl Wright, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	6	10	25	25	15	12	15	0	0	2	0	110		0	0	0	97	0	97
Chestnut Dale	Conley Huffman, Rt. 1, Box 286-A, Newland	0	2	7	4	2	5	19	6	0	0	0	0	45	33	0	0	0	50	0	50
Cranberry	Larry Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	0	15	11	23	24	38	47	0	0	0	2	0	160	86	0	0	0	51	0	51
Crossnore	Edgar Edwards, Crossnore 28616	0	16	38	32	10	44	45	18	0	0	4	0	207	170	4	34	0	105	0	105
Elk Park	Robert Davis, Cranberry 28614	3	3	10	8	0	6	20	0	0	0	3	0	53	39	0	10	0	47	0	47
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	8	12	22	5	10	35	16	0	0	0	0	108		0	0	0	54	0	54
Fairview	Kenneth Forbes, Rt. 2, Box 310, Spruce Pine 28777	5	10	10	14	6	10	12	8	0	0	11	0	86	50	0	0	0	68	0	68
Fall Creek	Tommy Mitchell, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	3	5	10	13	15	16	11	15	0	0	0	0	88	90	0	8	0	30	0	30
Green Valley	John Slavton, 501 Attapass Rd., Spruce Pine	0	1	3	5	1	2	11	7	0	0	0	0	30	20	1	8	0	0	0	0
Henson Creek	Richard Buchanan, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	4	3	6	6	10	14	24	5	9	1	7	0	89	60	0	0	0	28	0	28
Jonas Ridge	Sam Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 181A, Newland 28657	5	15	18	20	15	20	0	25	0	0	0	0	118	94	0	0	0	105	0	105
Minneapolis		8	6	12	12	10	8	40	8	0	0	0	0	104	80	1	12	12	45	0	45
Mount Pleasant	Jim Jaynes, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	3	3	10	6	2	10	11	6	0	0	3	0	51	41	1	0	10	51	0	51
Newland First	Robert Lorey, Newland 28657	18	21	40	36	6	17	33	31	0	0	4	0	206	123	0	0	0	120	0	120
Oak Grove	Albert Jaynes, Box 261, Newland 28657	5	8	20	15	40	40	15	0	0	0	16	0	165	120	0	0	0	57	0	57
Pilgrim	Woodie Stout, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	6	10	0	0	23	12	0	0	0	0	0	51	50	0	0	0	65	0	65
Pineola	George Smith, Pineola 28662														45	0	0	0	40	0	40
Pleasant Hill	Verne Ollis, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	3	6	14	27	6	12	40	19	0	0	2	0	127	111	0	0	0	83	0	83
Pleasant Valley	L. E. Hicks, Rt. 1, Box 42, Elk Park 28622	4	3	9	14	2	15	17	8	19	1	4	0	41	41	2	0	0	50	0	50
Powder Mill	Sam Eller, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	8	12	10	6	18	15	27	0	0	14	0	110	75	0	0	0	45	0	45
Roaring Creek	Glen Vance, Crossnore 28616	2	4	10	12	6	18	26	7	0	0	0	0	85	65	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stameytown	Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	10	6	15	5	5	30	2	0	0	2	0	75	60	0	0	0	52	0	52
Sugar Mountain	Floyd Bannu, Rt. 2, Box 238, Newland																				
Valley Haven	Joe Perry, Banner Elk	0	5	9	5	2	8	26	10	0	0	6	0	71	38	0	0	0	0	0	0
Whites Memorial	Finley Lone, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	3	4	12	8	3	6	24	6	2	0	8	15	91	72	1	25	0	42	0	42
Yellow Mountain	Harold Dellinger, Rt. 3, Box 156, Newland	16	9	7	7	13	25	23	0	0	0	2	0	102	72	1	25	0	50	0	50

TABLE C TRAINING UNION 1975

Association: AVERY

State: NORTH CAROLINA

Associational Training Union Director: MRS. BETTIE HOOKS

Address: Rt. 2 Box 160, City: Newland, State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	73 Preschool enrolment (5 years and under—not in school)	74 Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	75 Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	76 Young Adult enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	77 Adult enrolment (30-59 years)	78 Senior Adult enrolment (60 and over)	79 General officers enrolment	80 Enrolment of mission(s) of church	81 Total Trainng Union ongoing enrolment	82 Average weekly Church Training attendance	83 New Member Registration: Children	84 New Member Registration: Youth	85 New Member Registration: Adult	86 Church Leader Training Registration	87 Short Term Member Training Project Registration
Beech Mountain	James Nunley, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	8	13	17	0	0	2	0	0	40	22	0	0	0	0	0
Big Meadows	Homer Calloway, Plumtree 28664	0	0	8	10	10	0	2	0	30	25	0	0	0	0	0
Cranberry	Homer Turbyfill, Cranberry 28614	0	5	10	0	8	0	2	0	25	15	0	0	0		0
Crossnore	Terry Edwards, Crossnore 28616	7	14	12	8	3	5	0	0	49	40	0	0	0	0	0
Elk Park	Kate Davis, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	0	10	1	0	11	9	0	0	0	0	0
Jonas Ridge	Russell Singleton, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	6	23	12	0	15	4	0	0	60	28	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Hill	Allen Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 103, Newland 28657	2	4	12	20	20	0	2	0	60	32	0	0	0	0	0
Pleasant Valley	Erby McKiney, Bluefield Ave., Elizabethton, Tenn.	0	3	10	5	6	3	1	0	29	29	0	0	0	0	0
Powdermill	Jack Buchanan, Rt. 1, Box 235, Newland 28657									35	35	0	0	0	0	0
Stameytown	Sam Cook, Rt. 3, Box 303B, Bakersville	5	8	15	0	11	0	0	0	39	31	0	0	0	0	0
Valley Haven	Mable Whitehead, Rt. 2, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	6	0	13	0	4	0	23	12	0	0	0	0	0
Fairview	Jack Forbes, Rt. 2, Box 310, Spruce Pine 28777	6	6	2	9	8	3	1	0	35	35	0	0	0	0	0

TABLE D CHURCH MUSIC 1975		88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99
Association: AVERY State: NORTH CAROLINA Associational Music Director: ROBERT MURDOCK Address: Rt. 1, Box 756 City: Spruce Pine, State: N. C. Zip: 28777		Preschool enrolment (4-5 years)	Children enrolment (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	Youth enrolment (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	Adult enrolment (18 and over)	Handbell ringers enrolment	Vocal ensemble enrolment	Instrumental ensembles enrolment	General music leaders enrolment	Enrolment of mission(s) of church	Total ongoing church music enrolment	Average weekly church music attendance	Church music study group enrolment
CHURCHES	MUSIC DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES												
Aaron	Margaret Braswell, Newland	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	9	0
Beech Mt.	Mrs. Earleen Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park												
Bellview	Walter Gorge, Cranberry												
Chestnut Dale	Keith Huffmon, Rt. 1, Box 276A, Newland												
Crossnore	Margaret Ollis, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	3	0	33	20	0
Elk Park	Louise Goffrey, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	2	0	37	37	0
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622												
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622												
Henson Creek	Michael Dellinger, Rt. 3, Box 148, Newland												
Minneapolis	Edwina Tatum, Minneapolis 28652	0	10	4	10	0	0	0	2	0	26	20	0
Newland	Doris Greene, Newland	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	23	16	0
Oak Grove	Stanley Carver, Newland 28657												
Pilgrim	Mark Cook, Rt. 1, Box 86A, Elk Park												
Pineola	Mrs. Lloyd Ollis, Pineola												
Pleasant Hill	Allen Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 103, Newland	0	6	25	20	0	0	0	0	0	51	40	0
Powdermill	Carolyn Buchanan, Rt. 1, Box 235, Newland												
Stameytown	Mrs. Eddie Buchanan, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine	4	10	12	10	0	0	2	2	0	40	36	0
Valley Haven	Lynda Hodges, Rt. 2, Box 48, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	8
Whites Memorial	Lance Huffman, Rt. 3, Newland	4	6	10	5	0	7	2	2	0	36	25	0
Yellow Mt.	Sandra Lusk, Box 61, Plumtree 28664	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	2	0	23	23	0
Fairview	Jack Forbes, Rt. 2, Box 310, Spruce Pine 28777												

TABLE E WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION 1975

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational WMU Director: MRS. E. O. BUSTLE
Address: Rt. 2, Box 126 B — City: Newland — State: North Carolina — Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	WMU DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	100 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	101 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	102 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	103 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	104 Baptist Women (30 and over)	105 Mission(s) of church	106 Total number of organizations	107 Mission Friends (5 years and under—not in school)	108 Girls in Action (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	109 Acteens (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	110 Baptist Young Women (18-29 years or H.S. graduation through 29 years)	111 Baptist Women (30 and over)	112 WMU officers	113 Mission(s) of church	114 Total WMU ongoing enrolment
		Number of Organizations							Enrolment							
Aaron	Mrs. Claudia Hayes, Montezuma 28653	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	10
Cranberry	Mrs. Johnnie McCoary, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	11	3	0	11
Crossnore	Louise Vance, Crossnore 28616	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	10	9	5	0	25	4	0	53
Elk Park	Edith Bowlick, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	3	0	11
Jonas Ridge	Louise Barbee, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	9	9	0	14	0	0	32
Newland	Mrs. Bud Calloway, Box 416, Newland 28657	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	10	0	0	14	0	0	24
Pineola	Mrs. Carl Andrews, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	7
Pleasant Hill	Linda Buchanan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	12	2	0	14
Stameytown	Mrs. Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	1	1	1	0	1	0	4	6	9	10	0	7	4	0	36
Valley Haven	Mable Whitehead, Rt. 2, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	4	0	12
Whites Memorial	Evelyn Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	4	0	10
Yellow Mountain	Mrs. Homer Murdock, Rt. 3, Box 760, Spruce Pine 28777	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	15	12	0	17	3	0	47

TABLE F BROTHERHOOD 1975

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Brotherhood Director: GERALD ALDRIDGE
Address: — City: Crossnore — State: N. C. — Zip: 28616

CHURCHES	BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS & ADDRESSES	115 Crusaders (6-11 years or grades 1-6)	116 Pioneers (12-17 years or grades 7-12)	117 RA leader and committee	118 Baptist Men enrolment (18-29 years or H.S. graduation to retirement)	119 Other Baptist Men Groups	120 Brotherhood director and Other Brotherhood General Officers	121 Enrolment of Mission (s) of Church	122 Total ongoing Brotherhood enrolment	123 Other Boys involved in Mission activities	124 Miscellaneous Baptist Men
Aaron	Rod Hutchinson, Montezuma 28652	0	0	0	21	0	1	0	22	0	0
Crossnore	Cecil Trivett, Rt. 3, Newland, 28657	19	14	5	16	0	1	0	55	0	0
Jonas Ridge	Russell Singleton, Rt. 2, Box 209, Newland, 28657	8	3	2	8	0	0	0	21	0	0
Pleasant Hill		0	15	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0
Stameytown	Mason Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland, 28657	5	5	0	9	0	1	0	20	0	0

TABLE G TOTAL RECEIPTS, LOCAL EXPENDITURES & STEWARDSHIP 1975

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Treasurer: LAURA BALTZEGAR
Address: Rt. 1, City: Elk Park, State: N. C. Zip: 28622

CHURCHES	TREASURERS & ADDRESSES	21 Number of tithers	22 Budget prom. or emphasis used during the year. Simplified	Stewardship Revival	Committed to Tithe	Forward Program	Alt. Forward Program	None	23 Cooperative Program goal as percent of total budget	24 Associational missions goal as percent of total budget	125 Total tithes, all offerings, and special gifts	126 All other receipts	127 Total receipts	128 Money borrowed during the year	129 Church staff salaries	130 Money paid out on new construction during the year	131 Debt retirement during the year	132 Church literature	133 All other local expenditures	134 Total local expenditures
Aaron	John Hayes, Montezuma 28653	15				x			3	.07	21525	0	21525	5000	8140	5550	658	368	12094	27310
Beech Mountain	Wilma Storie, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	10						x	0	0	6695	0	6695	1840	2542	3359	39	336	1683	7959
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	10						x	0	0	7076	0	7076	3500	2060	7200	4600	304	1559	15723
Big Meadows	Lawrence Carpenter, Rt. 3, Box 233, Newland	20						x	0	0	3879	3000	6879	0	1450	13711	0	225	6879	17265
Chestnut Dale	Robert Sluder, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	12						x	0	0	4927	0	4927	0	0	374	0	80	2232	2686
Cranberry	Mrs. Earl Greene, Cranberry 28614							x	4.5	0	7242	0	7242	500	2970	723	247	347	2523	6810
Crossnore	Lois Clark, Box 6, Crossnore 28616	40				x			0	0	47558	0	47558	0	9340	0	0	6406	0	10746
Elk Park	O. L. Julian, Elk Park 28622							x	0	0	6627	34	6662	0	1869	679	1742	283	1234	5806
Elk Valley	Floy Aldridge, Rt. 2, Box 22, Banner Elk 28604	21						x	0	0	6892	0	6892	0	2260	967	0	438	1813	5478
Fairview	Isaac Hughes, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	10						x	0	0	4640	0	4640	0	2044	230	0	88	2100	4462
Fall Creek	Laura Parlier, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622							x	0	0	8960	413	9373	0	2222	0	0	262	1092	3576
Green Valley	John Slayton, 501 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine	32						x	0	0	3998	0	3998	0	1080	0	1667	146	758	3651
Henson Creek	Lee Burleson, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland 28657	13						x	0	0	9400	0	9400	0	5440	1200	0	112	538	7290
Jonas Ridge	Bettie Hooks, Rt. 2, Box 160, Newland 28657	15						x	9	0	1389	0	1389	0	6584	0	0	649	1820	9054
Minneapolis	Randall Fletcher, Minneapolis 28652	15						x	0	0	26750	0	26750	35000	6990	0	0	144	15000	23423
Mount Pleasant	Virgil Blalock, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	7						x	0	0	8327	0	8327	0	1427	0	0	142	2454	2596
Newland First	Bruce Daniels, Newland 28657	0						x	0	0	24006	4694	28699	0	5320	0	6789	1646	11925	25679
Oak Grove	Hazel Vance, Box 112, Newland 28657	12						x	0	0	25505	0	25505	0	6608	0	15000	280	3969	19249
Pilgrim	Wessley Sluder, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	25						x	0	0	6281	0	6281	0	2240	1097	0	117	1223	4677
Pineola	Maurice Lindecamp, Pineola 28662	0				x			5	4	0	0	0	0	4255	1376	0	197	1937	7765
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 101, Newland 28657	0						x	0	0	18655	0	18655	0	4600	0	0	415	5431	10446
Pleasant Valley	Bennie Norris, Rt. 1, Hampton, Tenn.	9						x	7	3				0	2150	2330	0	127	150	4757
Powdermill	Jack Buchanan, Rt. 1, Box 235, Newland							x	0	0	8700	0	8700	0	6000	1000	600	190	1074	8864
Roaring Creek	Verle Hughes, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0						x	0	0	6275	0	6275	0	3100	0	0	120	450	367
Stameytown	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland	10						x	3	3	7791	0	7791	1000	3900	600	0	470	2200	7170
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Ross Church, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	2						x	0	2	2448	0	2448	0	680	0	1545	82	542	2849
Valley Haven	Mrs. Joni Strut, Box 293, Banner Elk	7	x						4	2	4975	187	5162	4800	2370	0	250	98	1400	1748
Whites Memorial	Pauline Dellingan, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	18						x	.03	.03	10242	0	10242	0	5351	1346	0	247	1945	8889
Yellow Mountain	Robert Trivett, Box 14, Plumtree 28664	15						x	0	0	15221	0	15221	0	7100	6597	0	303	2740	16740

TABLE H MISSION EXPENDITURES 1975

Association: AVERY
State: NORTH CAROLINA
Associational Superintendent of Missions (Associational Missionary): REV. E. O. BUSTLE
Address: Rt. 2, Box 126 City: Newland, State: N. C. Zip: 28657

CHURCHES	CHURCH CLERKS & ADDRESSES	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149
		Church Sponsored Missions				OTHER MISSION CAUSE EXPENDITURES										
		Money paid out on new construction during the year	All other church sponsored mission expenditures	Total church sponsored mission expenditures	Cooperative Program	Associational missions program	Designated State missions	Designated: SBC Home Missions (incl. Annie Armstrong Easter offering)	Designated: SBC For. Mis. (incl. Lottie Moon Christmas offering)	Designated: Christian education (schools, etc.)	Designated: Children's homes (cash plus goods)	Designated: Hospitals	Designated: Homes for the aged	Designated: All other (Bible Society, Temp. League, etc.)	Total other mission cause expenditures	Grand Total Mission expenditures
Aaron	Carl Holden, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	400	144	50	36	111	25	154	50	50	0	476	1020
Beech Mountain	Allen Church, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	223	100	0	0	124	0	116	16	0	376	732	955
Bellview	Doris Shell, Box 313, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	0	100	0	100	0	75	100	50	0	0	425
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Rt. 3, Box 233, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	230	100	0	0	330	330
Chestnut Dale	Jack Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 275, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	950	200	0	425	200	0	0	1775	1775
Cranberry	Elbert McConry, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	150	120	30	0	0	0	50	50	50	0	300	450
Crossnore	Lois Clark, Box 6, Crossnore 28616	0	40219	40219	1125	180	46	825	1150	0	326	662	44	1579	4812	46156
Elk Park	Earlene Hayward, Box 275, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	560	110	0	36	105	0	47	0	0	0	298	857
Elk Valley	Lonnie Aldridge, Rt. 2, Box 22, Banner Elk	0	0	0	534	0	0	0	533	0	246	150	0	330	1258	1792
Fairview	Mrs. Isaac G. Hughes, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	458	458	458
Fall Creek	Cecil Crawford, Rt. 2, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	500	120	0	0	0	0	225	125	0	2813	3283	3783
Green Valley	Nellie Hall, 501 Altapass Rd., Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	30	0	185	268	268
Henson Creek	Mrs. Billy Goforth, Rt. 3, Box 230, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	50	0	240	340	340
Jonas Ridge	Virginia Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 181A, Newland 28657	0	0	0	700	386	75	225	348	71	142	75	92	1056	2470	3170
Minneapolis	Janie Carter, Minneapolis 28652	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	517	112	3660	0	4289
Mount Pleasant	Bill Daniels, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	221	75	167	241	377	300	247	167	167	1626	3367	3588
Newland First	Ruth Calloway, Box 416, Newland 28657	0	0	0	2211	360	155	344	532	50	215	160	250	152	2218	4429
Oak Grove	Ann Calhoun, Rt. 2, Box 18A, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	67	0	104	0	0	0	171	171
Pilgrim	Mark Cook, Rt. 1, Box 86A, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	180	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	25	205
Pineola	Teena McNeely, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	120	258	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	400	658	778
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Rt. 1, Box 103, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	125	40	340	1861	170	1040	455	340	0	4371	4371
Pleasant Valley	Ruby Hicks, Rt. 1, Box 42, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	355	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	425
Powder Mill	Mary Buchanan, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190	0	0	670	860	860
Roaring Creek	Glenn Vance, Crossnore 28616	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	600	600	600
Stameytown	Mrs. Simon Franklin, Rt. 2, Box 72, Newland	0	0	0	180	180	65	137	150	0	50	75	50	208	916	1096
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Floyd Banner, Rt. 2, Box 238, Newland 28657	0	0	0	78	20	0	0	0	0	52	53	0	0	125	203
Valley Haven	Mrs. Lynda Hodges, Rt. 2, Box 48, Banner Elk	0	466	466	240	96	0	21	0	0	100	0	0	0	121	827
Whites Memorial	Dora Phillips, Rt. 2, Box 448, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	35	35	0	50	100	0	0	50	0	985	1185	1220
Yellow Mountain	Paul R. Carpenter, Box 84, Plumtree 28664	0	1096	1096	0	0	0	0	59	0	0	58	0	0	117	1213

TABLE I SPECIAL INFORMATION 1975

Association: AVERY
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CHURCHES	CHAIRMEN OF DEACONS & ADDRESSES	28 No. church-type missions started during the year	29 No. church-type missions currently operating	30 No. other-type missions started during the year	31 No. other-type missions currently operating	32 Number of church vocations volunteers	33 Kindergarten enrolment	34 Day Care enrolment	35 Bus Attendance	36 Doctrinal Emphasis Week enrolment	Does church have, observe, plan, use, etc.? 37 Major new bldg. or remodel. proj. within yr.	38 Library	39 Recreation staff (Comm.)	40 Church—The Sunday night place	41 Pastor educ. assistance	42 Baptist Men's Day	43 Lay Renewal Weekend	44 Broadcast on Radio or Television	45 Christian Educ. Comm.	46 Recreation or Act. Bld.	47 Lay Evangelism School	48 Day Camp	49 Day Camp Curriculum Prepared by BSSB	50 Christian C'ship Sunday	51 Christian Home Week	52 State paper in budget
Aaron	John Hayes, Montezuma 28653	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y
Beech Mountain	Roy McGuire, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Big Meadows	Homer Calloway, Plumtree 28664	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Cranberry	Elbert McCoury, Box 312, Cranberry 28614	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Crossnore	Walter Jarvis, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y
Elk Park	Joe Massy, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
Elk Valley	Luther Riddle, Rt. 2, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Fairview	Jake Davis, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Green Valley	Kelly Ollis, Kalonia, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Henson Creek	Phil Pittnor, Rt. 2, Box 508, Spruce Pine 28777	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Jonas Ridge	Grady Singleton, Jonas Ridge 28641	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Minneapolis	Edward Grindstaff, Minneapolis 28652	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Mount Pleasant	Nat Daniels, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Newland First	Bruce Daniels, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Oak Grove	Clearence Johnson, Rt. 2, Box 39, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pilgrim	N. E. Cook, Rt. 1, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pineola	Shelby Vance, Pineola 28662	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y
Pleasant Hill	Earl Green, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Pleasant Valley	Harold Bare, Elk Park 28622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Powder Mill	Will McKinney, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Roaring Creek	Grady Hughes, Rt. 1, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Stameytown	Daymond Pritchard, Rt. 3, Newland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Rt. 2, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Valley Haven	Joe Perry, Banner Elk 28604	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N
Whites Memorial	Hubert Carpenter, Rt. 3, Newland 28657	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Yellow Mountain	Harold Dellinger, Rt. 3, Box 156, Newland 28657	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N

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